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From the Management

The extraordinary efforts by students, teachers and support staff working together to bring this magazine to life and the zeal with which they have expressed themselves in the varied articles and artwork are truly commendable.

The School magazine serves as a creative outlet and provides an ideal platform for the freedom of expression. But along with this freedom it reinforces the need for responsible writing. Students, with guidance from staff at every level of production, take responsibility for what finally gets into print.

There is an enormous amount of coordination and work that goes into the production of such a magazine. This includes, but is not limited to, gathering of students' articles and artwork all through the year, selecting the most deserving ones, editorial work, copy-editing, designing, photoshopping, proof reading and printing and distribution. Almost all members of the School have had a role to play in this collective effort which has made it a rewarding experience. This process also encourages healthy competition, as it is a collected work of all students from different levels over several months and material eligible for publication must meet high standards set by the School's editorial board. In most Schools, teachers and support staff are essentially the pillars that support student growth. However, they do not have a medium to express themselves and showcase their other varied interests. "THINK" magazine is truly a collaborative effort in ensuring a space for all members of our family.

Over the years, from the management's side we have adopted a nurturing approach. We encourage and support ideas from all quarters. Be it the student exchange programme and club activities (cloth bag campaign, paint box, and other social activities), or faculty initiated academic excellence day/ carnival. We appreciate and applaud every achievement by our students and faculty. In each endeavour, we set the vision and scope and give complete flexibility to our children and staff to bring out their best. We provide adequate guidance and support to help them achieve their dreams. The uniqueness of events like our annual day and Academic Excellence Day/Carnival is a result of this inclusive approach where everybody is encouraged to contribute and is appreciated for their efforts. Our outstanding academic results, remarkable achievements in sports and co-curriculars and our alumni who have done us proud is testament to our approach to education. "THINK" magazine is one such endeavour which will become a mainstay in our School as we head into the future. Happy reading!

-MANAGEMENT

From the Principal

We are incredibly excited to bring "THINK" to your hands. I feel extremely privileged to be a part of this magazine committee. This is a testament to all our exceptional students, passionate teachers and remarkable parents. It is only a gist of our amazing collection, that we have created so far.

Geethaanjali is a School with an innate tradition of excellence in education and character augmentation. The children emerge from our School with a love of learning and the ability to think critically about the world around them. Our School prepares them not only to taste the success in life but also to embrace values and ethics. It's great to see each student of our School come up with the skills to acquire new knowledge and adapt in a rapidly changing world.

What makes us unique is the belief that education is about more than just a mastery of standards. Our goal is to unwrap the gifts & talents of each child and provide a supportive atmosphere for them to grow as heuristic learners. It is the unrelenting quest for knowledge that creates individuals to realise their infinite potential. I am proud to travel with them to explore more and more in their future endeavours.

-SUBBULAKSHMI VALLINAYAGAM

From the Editor

Why THINK? When it is spelled out, it takes you to your world of imagination, a world where you find the reflection of Geethaanjali. This world is the blend of 5 senses and your thought is added up as the 6th sense. The world you are about to explore is marvellous, not only because of its senses but also because of the thoughts behind each sense. The 5 senses described here are Academics, Sports, Values, Arts and Culture. You may find these senses as common, but what makes it unique is the elegant touch of Geethaanjali.

Academics - A glimpse of our proud achievements and our happy learnings. Sports - Interaction of soul and physical hardness. Values - An exigency for life. Arts - A recognition of your talents. Culture - Evolves your real identity. The 6th one is an elite one as this is your own perspective of each of these senses. We believe that, when something is gorgeous, it definitely take tons of effort to fabricate it. This beautiful theory is indeed applicable to "THINK", which you will realise when you turn every single page in "THINK". So, lets immerse into the world of thoughts with these senses.

-AADHAVAN S M & AAKASH R K

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School Song

வளமான தமிழ் மண்ணில்
எந்நாளும் வளர்ந்து
வியப்பூட்டும் கலையுடன்
கனவினை நாளும் நித்தியமாய் எம்முள்
விதைத்த கீதாஞ்சலி எம் பள்ளி

நம்பிக்கையுடனே நானிலத்தில் சிறக்க
பழமையின் பாதையில்
புதுமையாய் பூத்திட
ஈடில்லா இறைவனை
இதயத்தில் இணைத்த
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உணர்வுகள் மதித்து உறவினை வளர்க்க
எளிமையை என்றும்
வலிமையாய் பற்றிடும்
கீதாஞ்சலி எம் பள்ளி

அறிவினைப் பெற்றிட அன்புவழி தந்து
அகிலத்தை வென்றிட
ஆற்றலைப் பெருக்கி
தடைகளைக் கண்டு
மனம் தளர்கின்ற போதும்
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கீதாஞ்சலி எம் பள்ளி...
கீதாஞ்சலி எம் பள்ளி...

Trust, Truth and Triumph
Your words to us...
You shower on us rays of hope
Filled us with endless love
Oh, my School...
GEETHAANJALI.... I cherish you...

With our hands in yours
We journey ahead
You nourish our thoughts
In your wisest ways
To enlighten our souls
In the way of love...
GEETHAANJALI... I cherish you...

When I'm feeling low
You open your arms
And embrace with love
Till I feel the warmth
Of your unending care
Oh! Our bond 's so strong...
GEETHAANJALI... I cherish you...

You chisel our shape
And you pave our path
When we stretch our wings
We will soar the skies
With the power and will
We will scale new heights...
GEETHAANJALI... I cherish you...
GEETHAANJALI... WE cherish you...

विश्वास जीत सत्य का
विद्यालय हमारा
आशा की किरणें बरसाते
प्यार की वर्षा बरसाते
मेरा विद्यालय गीतांजली

तुम ज्ञानदायिनी, संस्कृतिदायिनी,
तुम हो शक्तिदायिनी,
ऊँची ऊँची शाला, ऊँचा नाम है पाया
मेरा विद्यालय गीतांजली

सूरज की किरणों के संग
हम हर्षित आते
विषय ज्ञान की सरिता से
हम प्रेरित होते
यहाँ तरह–तरह की
स्पर्धा सिखाते हमको
मेरा विद्यालय गीतांजली

सत्य की राह पर
हम सदा चलेंगे
प्रगति के पथ पर अग्रसर रहेंगे
इस पाठशाला का नाम रोशन करेंगे
मेरा विद्यालय गीतांजली.....!
मेरा विद्यालय गीतांजली.....!
हमारा विद्यालय गीतांजली.....!!

LYRICS MUSIC RAMESH KUMAR R | SUSEELA S | GAYATHRI K J | DEEPIKA V | SHARMATHA RAVI
JEFFIE JENSON A, Grade - XII | RAJESWARI S, Grade - XII | SARAH U, Grade - IX LYRICS MUSIC



PARENT  BLOG

Our association with Geethaanjali started around 11 years back. Our first child Milan. V. Raj joined here in Pre KG. The initial attraction was that this was the first School in Erode with CBSE. As we preferred CBSE, we came into this School. But after 2 or 3 years, we found that several other Schools have come up in Thindal area itself offering CBSE curriculum and may be with better infrastructure. But we chose to continue in the same School because we are sure that the kind of education and training which has been given here is of good quality, that too this School has been giving comparatively comfortable fee structure which is very convenient for us. Now my second child is also studying here.

Schools definitely play a major role in a student's life, as the children spend the prime time of the day from morning till evening here. School is a character maker, because the things students learn from any faculty & friends guide them to treat any human being in a better manner, how they should be and so on. Continuous effort is being made by the School to realize that there are people within the society, whom the students should respect. A similar effort should also be made from the parents' side. We think we are trying to do that from our part.

One specific thing which attracted me is, parents are given good access in this School. I think in many other Schools the access to parents is mainly restricted up to the gate or may be till the reception or office. Whereas in this School great opportunities are being given to the parents to view classroom activities in the form of observing live classes, in the case of Academic Excellence Day and so on. I should really appreciate Academic Excellence Day because I think the School has adapted a slogan called 'We bring out the best in every child'. Initially when I heard about that particular slogan, I thought it's only another catchy slogan but later on I found that they actually mean it. In the past two or three Academic Excellence Days, I could find even the students who are the back benchers who are reluctant to come forward, the School brings them up. Chances have been given for those who never thought of holding a mike or speaking in front of audience. Also many students are given chances in Annual Day Celebrations so that everybody is capable of performing something.

I find the Parent-Teachers' relationship in most of the Schools is linear, means from teacher to student. But here more importance is given to parents. I experience a special kind of relationship here, that is of triangular in nature, both parents and teachers are complementing the students to upbring the potential of the child. Parents are invited to the School to give feedback to see what is actually happening inside the campus. This type of transparency in the form of one-to-one meet supported us to involve ourselves with the School system. This opportunity has actually helped in understanding the School as well as the performance of the students inside a classroom. Because in many Institutions as I said, an opaque kind of system is followed and the parents will not be knowing what is happening inside. The teachers will be directing the students and the only connection between the students and the parents will be the home works, which is always a burden to parents. But here giving less homework is a plus that I should mention here. And so the children are happy doing homework at home and there is no Monday morning syndrome while coming to School.

Further on, the Principal of this School is paramount. Her role is not just a Principal, but the total mentor in the School. Everybody associated with the School will agree that she is a special kind of person. We can see her controlling the vans in the morning, after sometime she'll be holding a crying pre-kg student to console, later counseling a troubled plus two students. I have noticed a peculiar thing in this School, where the Principal is called by her name affectionately by parents, students and staff as well.

A very important aspect I should tell is that the human values, which the School is trying to inculcate, attracted me. As I have attended a couple of the assembly session in this School where the children identify the dignity of labor, irrespective of the work they do, gives opportunities for non-teaching staff to perform activities like flag hoisting in the morning assembly. I have seen the development of the School through the growth of my children and vice-versa. The occasions like Academic day, Annual Day are student centric.

In taking up the responsibilities, instead of pyramidal kind of structure, the School has got a horizontal structure in which everybody is taking up the responsibility that actually works. Since the start of the School in 2004 till now the indication of growth is seen in the performance of the School, not only in studies but in many areas too, this is really a notable aspect.

Instead of carrying big books to the School, the students do their classroom activities in the day plan sheets, which are really helpful, especially in the case of smaller class students. Bringing all the books in a big bundle is not needed, only relevant materials to the particular classes seems to be good in student's perspective. Nowadays CBSE is insisting this particular thing to bring it on a large scale, wherein the School should take pride of this motive as the School have started to implement. We have such other good experiences about this School, and that is the reason both my sons are studying in this School.

-Mr. Vijay Raj, F/O, Milan V Raj, Grade - VIII

यहाँ मेरे सब अच्छे अनुभव है। यहाँ के टीचर्स सभी अपने बच्चों के प्रति अपना प्यार और मम्ता उडेलती हैं। गुरू बनकर ज्ञान और संसकार देती हैं। अनुशासन सिखाती हैं और दोसत बनकर उनके तकलीफ़ और पीड़ा हरा लेती हैं। यह मेरे पहले दिन से आज तक का अनुभव है इस स्कूल से। सुभा मैम जो इस स्कूल के प्रिंसिपल हैं उनके काम के प्रति समर्पण बहुत ही प्रशंसनीय है। क्या बोलूँ मेरे पास शब्द नहीं है गीतांजली स्कूल के लिए! मैं बहुत खुश किस्मत हूँ कि मेरे बच्चे इस स्कूल में पढ़ रहे हैं। बहुत सुहानी सफर है। बहुत कुछ मैं भी सीखी हूँ इस स्कूल से। जितनी तारीफ़ हो वो कम है। बहुत अच्छा प्रोग्रेस कर रही है। टीचर्स बच्चों को बहुत अच्छी तरह ट्रैनिंग दे रहे हैं। अपना पूरा वक्त देती हैं। यहाँ बच्चों को सब सुख सुविधा है। कोई तकलीफ़ नहीं, कोई परेशानी नहीं बस इससे ज्यादा कुछ नहीं है बोलने को। यहाँ के सब कुछ खास बात है।

-Ms. Pramila Jain, M/O Hemanshi Jain, Grade - XI

As a parent, my association with Geethaanjali All India Sr. Sec. School (GAISSS) crosses half a decade. I still remember the first day when I stepped into this reputed Institution as a parent. It was a hot summer day with cement pavements emanating heat and light. Though a bit sceptic, the approach of the faculty and the classroom atmosphere convinced me of the immense potential that this Institution possess. As a parent, I am fully satisfied and proud to parent a son who is chiseled in this great learning centre.

Few things that has impressed me related to this School need to be shared and the first thing that makes my adoration heavier is the amount of liberty given to the students. Education cannot flower in a tight atmosphere and the "American" type liberty gives an ample space for the students to grow horizontally and vertically.

The second thing that struck me in the course of years is the creativity. Every now and then, the students display their creative waves for the onlooker. The painting of trees craftworks, Annual Day celebrations with a theme and above all Academic Day celebration need to be noted in the annals of the success. All these opportunities make the students to perform without the rods goading them on to do the task.

The secure atmosphere is a telling factor of this Institution. As a parent, I salute the teachers who stand at the gates to look after the students' entry. It is a rare thing and it enhances a parent's confidence and faith on the Institution. Academically too, the performance of the teaching faculty is extraordinary. They take supreme care in making the students love academics. The results of Grade X and XII speak volumes of this Institution's greatness. The honesty and uprightness of this Institution can be gauged by the CBSE's decision to conduct the Board examination.

I wish the innovative, cool Principal and the faculty members to make this Institution attain the pinnacle of success. I also would like to ink my thanks for all the services thou have rendered.

-Dr. S Subramanium, F/O Guhan S, Grade - VII

ALUMNI BLOG

FRAGRANCE OF MEMORIES

The sign of intelligence is that you are constantly wondering! Every second, I've spent in this Pantheon of learning, I've been filled with optimism. I joined here as a 90cm kid and grew along with my school every day. With the sparks of success, my home away from home, made me feel proud about being a child of one of the Top 10 CBSE schools in our Nation. It is here, that I found the real meaning for my golden dreams. 'Thanks' will never equate how grateful I am for my school. The Principal of this school has always been a great support to all the soul-holders. This place, which holds the memories of more than half of my days, doing every possible thing, which had groomed me for my intellectual & emotional growth. My pleasant journey of 14 years in this abode of learning has guided me to be confident to face the world. Everybody in this family devote themselves for the progress of the society, leaving no stones unturned for the welfare of students. As a lovable child of Geethaanjali family, I spread my voice in all the apprehensive hearts.

"Years will pass.... you will grow in your age and status....But never forget your school and teachers, who have tried their best to mould you and give you the real purpose and direction"

-Falguni Jain D (The First baby of our Geethaanjali Family)

E-GENERATION

Days passed...Hope you had an eventful day at School starting from the morning assembly to the mundane classes spiced up in the middle, by you sharing your mom's tasty lunch with friends and vice-versa; cannot forget the PT periods coupled with the fun travel back home in your vans. Now before you hop onto your couch to watch TV or scroll through your mobile phones and start munching your evening snacks, I would like to give some food for your thought.

To you fellows of the E-generation, I wish to rekindle your minds with an age old yet evergreen adage, 'Ethics and Etiquette'. The first E embraces Ethics. Oxford Dictionary refers to it as the moral principles that govern our behaviour. Too philosophical?? Don't worry. Let me put it in simpler terms. Everybody knows about how a compass helps sailors navigate through rough seas. Ethics is similarly a moral compass that guides us in the decisions that we make every day. And if your moral compass keeps pointing in the right direction of honesty, humility and honour, you would never have any confusions when you are at crossroads in life.

The next E encompasses Etiquette. Once again, Oxford provides us with guidelines for social behaviour. But what does it really mean?? Just think of it as a FIFA football game, where you have different options at your disposal. Whether you choose to attack or defend or wait depends on your team's mentality and your opponent's situation. Similarly, I would just give one guidance regarding Etiquettes. Don't look anywhere else apart from our very own Indian family culture for cue points.

There is still one more important E that has shaped my Schooling life and Geethaanjali has played a major role in defining it. Yes, you guessed it right! ... It's Education. It teaches us about how to apply our personal ethics in different social settings. This bridges the gap between the former two E's.

Every day in School, it's like a dress rehearsal for the outside world but on a smaller scale. I cherish each and every day spent with each and every one associated with Geethaanjali till date. At the end of the day, it all boils down to the trust you earned, the true qualities you gained and the triumphant memories that you can look back to! To all the parents, rest assured that this School is a wonderful platform for your kids catering to everything needed to propel them to different walks of life. Cheers!

-Allan KEvin T, 2012 Batch

THINK & INK

Extremely happy to hold the pen to think and ink. This time as an alumnus, I would like to begin by placing a big thanks to all the Geethaanjalians for giving me an opportunity to connect with you all after a pretty long time ☺. I haven't grown to the level of giving a message to you all, but still there are experiences and learnings out of it, which I think, if I share would be interesting and informative as well to you. School children are in their precious stage of life, which has an undeniably important impact on one's life.

The direction in which you all will sail will be different, however the basic spirit of your journey will be largely determined now. So, it is highly important to be as much alive as it is only possible at this stage. This is a simple, yet significant thing to do because we are fortunate enough that all other aspects are largely well taken care of by our parents and teachers. Despite being in such blessed atmospheres where everything around us is aimed to bring out the best in us, if we fail to be alive then I would even call it a failure.

Now what is this business of being alive all about and what obstructs one from being alive? Of course, medical evaluation will state that all of us are alive. By being alive I mean to throw yourself into whatever life demands from you without any kind of a fear or inhibition. To put it simply, not to hide from life. That's why a mind without fear is immensely important. With a fearful mind you will not know the path to reach your destination. Dropping fear is the first thing to do, the first line of our School oath 'Where the mind is without fear...' Once you become fearless your head is held high. It doesn't mean that you will always be a winner in everything, it's that you will not take victory to your head nor the failure extinguish the fire in you.

The Indian army people are an appropriate example to illuminate the glory of a fearless mind. They work with such bravery and selflessness; their fearless nature makes them so alive that they raise beyond death to work for the sake of our well-being. A fearful soldier or a fearful driver or a frightened student appearing for exam or anyone who is fearful may become successful only by chance. Become fearless and you shall fly The following is a small tribute to Major Kaustubh Rane and other soldiers who sacrificed their valuable lives in a recent combat against terrorists- fearlessly so that we can live to the fullest.

So the country
Shall live.
The valiance:
that vitalises the nation
the courage:
that colours the tricolour,
the sacrifice, the selflessness,
stimulates....
Men lay themselves down as
manure love...
to flower, to bloom, if we not,
Wouldn't the manure become
meaningless?
Rane - My father
Let my country awake...

-Thanush Aadhitya S, 2017 Batch

"PANTHEON OF LEARNING"

This was the phrase I saw on the walls of the hallway of a place that I got myself into, as a 10 year old.
I, literally, had no idea of, how that very place would change my life in the coming years.
While I walked through the entrance, I thought to myself

"What could that word Pantheon mean?"
and
"Why somebody would put that up on a wall?"
but I am sure now, why they did!

Everybody calls School to be a place where they go in, to get good marks to put them through college, get a nice degree and get settled, but my School was not that place, rather it was a happy Home away from home.

What made it my home? Well, for the fact that it taught me the values that helps me keep going every single day. I can say, I made family and friends in that very same place. We laughed, cried, fought, played, ate and the most important of all, we grew together. These all made that very place my pantheon, a place that is sacred to me, filled with a lot of values, memories, and moments, the most important of all is, life and freedom.

If you are looking for a place wherein you want to learn to grow well, I suggest, that'd be the same place I went into and it has a surprisingly long name and it is - "Geethaanjali All India Senior Secondary School"

-Sanjay K, 2012 Batch

Immediate Past

President's Note

2017 - 18

Dear Friends,

It is an honour to share an important message to my fellow Geethaanjalians, I write this not only to the existing but also to the generations to come, the souls that would pass through this abode of learning. Those who pass through here would one day venture out in the boat of life. I, being one amongst you, take it as a privilege to express my notion on the wisdom we have to gain before our expedition into life.

Be thankful for your life for it's a gift A gift to the world through the talents which are embedded in oneself. The key in unravelling your talents lies in the acknowledgement that our lives are precious gifts and it is our job to embrace it. The talent must be used intellectually to make a positive impact - the world so desperately needs, like throwing stones into water which produces ripples and I encourage you to make such massive ripples. Recognize them and invest in these talents by working harder and harder.

Be the teacher The knowledge gained by our ancestors was passed on to us by teaching. Only because of that we understand everything that we know till now. Millenniums of knowledge gained by humanity are delivered to us on a silver platter through education. First we must open our minds and take it in. It is our duty to respect and preserve it. This knowledge should not only be preserved, like an athlete passing the baton to the one ahead of him, we must pass this knowledge to the generations ahead of us.

Be the fix *"From broken machines to broken bones, from broken societies to broken souls, be the fix". Everybody might often hear this – "Don't end up like that person" that person might be someone who is in poverty and misery and is struggling in his life. We must drift from this idea and go with "End up helping that person",* end up in a status that would fix their life and bring light to those dim souls, as they may once again celebrate this beautiful journey called life. Ultimately, they would feel happy because of you. This role can not only be done through charity or foundations but also by a politician, administrator, economist, engineer, doctor and the list goes on.

Be the pioneer Human beings are always curious in creating new things and new technologies. We are rapidly discovering something new that helps us makes our lives better and efficient. This enthusiasm drove us into what we call the *'technological age'* which is drastically progressing much faster than our intuition. We could do research to help cancer patients, engineering new models to reduce pollution, saving people's lives by predicting natural calamities etc.., Commercial fields are also crucial like economists, who play a huge role in balancing economy of nations. And there are lots you can add up to pioneer in this world.

Be grateful to your parents, gurus and friends They are the ones who moulded you into what you are now with or without your awareness, irrespective of which phase you are in your life, never forget them. By remembering them, one must be able to remember the moral ethics that was taught by them and that is something fundamental to cling onto all through our lives. The ethical values like respect, honesty, integrity, humbleness are all a mark of our character.

THE WEAPON OF LOVE A weapon, so strong that one cannot do justice to the word - 'love' simply by saying the word is essentially showing your affection to someone. It is more than that. It is showing your depth of understanding towards anything. Love is understanding that knows not of hurt or hatred and yet extinguishes them.

It knows not of jealousy, greediness and selfishness but yet hinders them
It knows not of vengeance and revenge but yet forgives them
It knows not of pain and suffering but yet bears them

Love is so innocent that it knows not any of them, but still as a light would drive out darkness. Love would drive them all out. This love does not demand back but it always keeps pouring out like a perennial river. And it is this kind of love that we must hold in our hearts.

Why is it necessary? because if we had enough love for the world, we would have not polluted our resources, given up our environment for sheer money and pleasure, thereby endangering the world creations. If we had enough love for our humankind, there wouldn't be wars that destroy and shatter families leaving unhealable bruises in their hearts. There wouldn't be boundaries that separate us & stereotypes that disintegrates us. Death by hunger wouldn't exist. There wouldn't be poverty that crushes people's lives. There wouldn't be social barriers at all.

If we had enough love for our families and people around us, there wouldn't be single mothers, possessive friendships, toxic relationships, divorced parents, orphaned children, isolated elders. There wouldn't be enmity, distrust, disloyalty, ego....

Well, if we ever had enough love for ourselves, enough love indeed,
There would be peace!
Therefore, my fellow students lets take this weapon of love and lighten up the world.

With love,
Jeffee Jenson A,
President, Student Council 2017 - 18

THE WEAPON OF LOVE

Soul Catalyst

Nothing in this world is out of your reach as long as you put your mind to it. Self-motivation is the force that keeps propelling you to go on. It's your internal drive to develop, achieve and move forward. The best way of motivation is self motivation .When you think you're ready to quit something; self motivation is what thrusts you to go on. The first step before anybody else in the world believes you, it is you who should have to believe in yourself .There is no reason to have a Plan B, which may distract your Plan A.

As Confucius said, *"He who says he can and he who says he can't are both usually right"*. Being realistic is the most commonly travelled road. Self motivated people may forget their rights, but always remember their responsibilities. Make a choice and you just decide what is it going to be, who you're going to be and how you're going to achieve it. The world is full of people who are waiting for someone to motivate them, but the only person who can change as well as motivate you is only yourself and no one can get it down better than you. Ignite your mind initiate your thoughts and innovate ways to achieve your dreams. The choice of life is yours!

-Keerthi Sree Hashini M, Grade - XII



GO WITH YOUR GOAL!

Every creature in this world works to achieve its goal. But there is a difference in each goal; it can be either a short term or long term. Let's take two writers whose passion and goal is to write novels. One person schedules his work and starts from the base like writing short stories, reading newspapers and understanding the way of presenting an idea. Another person starts to write a novel without any pre-schedule.

Who do you think will be able to produce a standard novel? Yes, definitely the first person will be able to produce a standard novel. The pre-scheduling events like writing short stories, reading newspapers and understanding the way of presenting an idea should be our short term goal and writing a novel should be our long term goal.

Goal setting is an act of selecting a target or objective we wish to achieve. Everyone wants to achieve their own goals. The real challenge is not determining how to achieve the result, but the sacrifices we make to achieve success. To achieve your goal, list out the possible ways which you can do something and analyze each way. Do think about the consequences too.

If you are ready to sacrifice anything to achieve your goal, then work on it. Learn from your mistakes, which will make you to understand and identify the way you need to choose. Decide your short term goal that should be a ladder to taste the fruit of the long term goal. Set your goal right now. Success is in your hand!

-Catherine A, Department of Science



Nutritious Day

Our celebration of fruits and vegetables day necessitates the healthy eating habit amongst our children. Green leafy vegetables and carved fruits are put on view to create awareness about nutritious intake on a daily basis right from childhood. By giving every individual the right amount of nourishment and exercise, not too little and not too much, is the safest way to health.

Freshers' Day

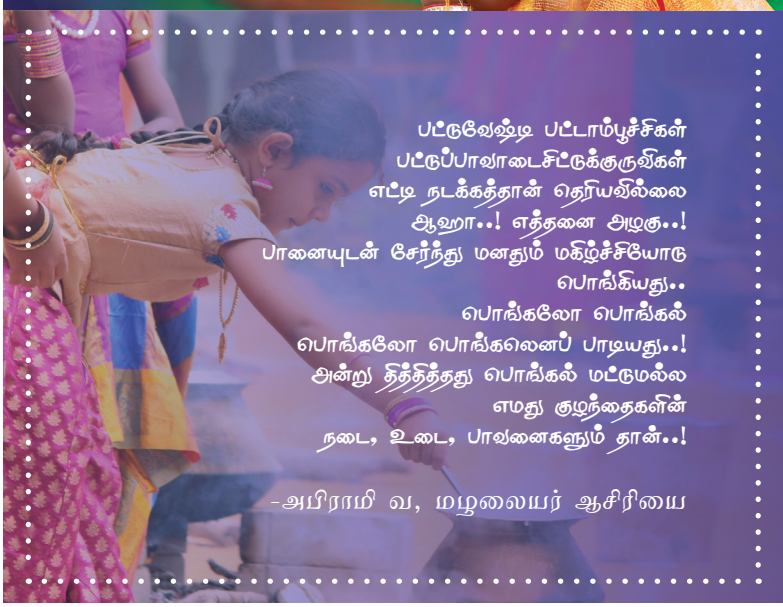
Arrival of Junior KG kids remain ceremonial in our School. These buddies every year add new strength and flavour to the blissful atmosphere. Senior KG children are always interested to make new friends with their adorable Juniors and embrace them to their group. We always enjoy organizing "Freshers' Day" for our Pre KG and Junior KG children.

Colours Day

Colourful celebrations illuminates the knowledge about a particular color and its thematic concepts like Rainbow, Aquarium-Blue, Sun –Yellow, Garden – Green, Orchard – Red, Snow – White, Night sky – Black, etc. It is a day of fun and thrill with various activities and games.

- Selvi M, Department of Social





Annual Day is a grand celebration of the attainments of our children the whole year around. It is an integral part of our School activities. It is an occasion of joy, felicitation, 'edutainment' feast and festivity where students present their exquisite performances.

Geethaanjali has completed 15 years with various milestones and has many excellent events to its credit. Every year the annual day is rejoiced with pride and enthusiasm. The Annual Day 2018 was woven around the theme "Sahansheel" – Tolerance. Tolerance is no catchphrase, but a quality to be cherished and practiced. Thiru. P. Sabhanayagham, State Secretary, Ariviyal Sangam graced the occasion as the Chief Guest for the day. He has been elected as the CEO of Green War India for his pioneering work in the field. The function was presided over by our honourable Chairman Mr. P. M. Gopalan.

It was articulated that tolerance is the essential quality needed in each member of the society. The theme of 2017-18 Annual day was chosen as "Sahansheel", mainly due to the intolerance among the people. The two-hour long cultural show held the audience in awe and left them enlightened as the show culminated. The journey of a man from birth to death – The seven stages, were depicted through a remarkable blend of drama and dance. Performances like miming, sand art, puppet show with powerful messages on tolerance were an eye-opener for our audience.

The scene stealer of the show was the Grand finale which pictured the words "Tolerance does not mean tolerating intolerance". The show's finish was our great Grand Finale that springs from the theme in which the childhood narrations of Lord Krishna and the rise of Dasavathar which was melodic, harmonic and especially with rhythmic elements. It was a perfect combination of music, mime and poetry.

"Darkness cannot drive out Darkness,
only Light can do that..." *-Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*

The shimmer of the candle lights in the twilight was an incredible sight, followed by our School oath and School song. All our parents and grandparents felt so proud to spot their children on stage. The students in turn performed with great zeal and dedication because their parents and friends were a part of the audience.

The event astoundingly made an indelible impression on each and every spectator. The distinguished guests and parents appreciated the excellent co-ordination and synchronisation of every performance that clearly reflected the hard work and team effort of our beloved ones. The whole show was an amalgamation of colours, beauty, rhythm and vibrancy – a perfect symphony in motion.

Sahansheel

-Rashika R, Grade - XII



ACADEMIC RESULT

"A dream becomes a goal when action is taken towards its achievement"
-Bo Bennett

In All India National Level Ranking, our children have set a yardstick in securing 1st place in the XII Board exam, 2016 - 17. The School average score for the year was 93.6 marks. Discipline and hard work throughout the year has built the achievement of National Ranking. Congratulations to all our children, especially those who topped their targets.

Every year, our children of classes XII & X have been accomplishing excellent results. The highest percentage in Class XII, 2017 - 18 Board Exam is 97%. The subject wise top scores are Business Studies 99, Political Science 99, Computer Science 99, Economics 98, Fashion Studies 98, Biology 97, English 97, Mathematics 96, Accountancy 96, Physics 95, Chemistry 95 & History 94. The highest percentage in Class X is 97%. The subject wise top scores are Social Science 100, Mathematics 98, Science 98, Tamil 97, English 94 & Hindi 93.

Our effective teaching style and strategies with individual attention to the children brought us such laurels. These are outstanding results which provide our students with ever greater opportunities for their future. We, at Geethaanjali, support our children to excel their exams and guide them for their career.

"Knowledge comes from learning, Wisdom comes from living"

As Antony Douglas Wiliams opines, We, in our Pantheon of learning, vitalise their inner soul to become human being with insight.

-Yesoda M, Department of Commerce

KIDDO FEAST

Geethaanjalians took the pride to the top of victory once again. There was an inter-School competition to showcase the multifaceted talents. Our friends articulated their talents in various events like orchestra, essay writing, block and tackle, dance events, mask making and mono act. Our sweet nightingales enthralled everyone with their lovely song.

Everyone sat glued to the magnificient dance performance by our beautiful angels. Appreciation from the judges was a great inspiration for their sterling show on stage. The most awaited moment was the announcement of winning the Overall Championship as Geethaanjali!!. As always, we rocked and stole the show on that day!!

- Sarah U & Vanashree S, Grade - IX

LIFE BEYOND THE EARTH



Human beings, through evolution, have succeeded in developing and changing according to the nature and their needs. Whatever the development we invent today, we may have some stumbling blocks tomorrow. But the clear-cut fact is "There is no upsurge without downturn". This is felt in day-to-day life as the human mind tries to know the outcomes of each and every possibility and also due to some false thoughts. It may not be true for all the cases. Today, however, the modern world is filled with sophisticated technologies that wreck our nature. Our very basic need is always to search for a good life and better settlement in future. There may be quite tough ways to change our world from the present situation. But, why can't we find another way to lead such a good life?

There exists a greater chance of survival in space, which we human beings didn't discover yet. If we find a way to go there, mankind would at once step extensively ahead in its progression. In this huge world, we think only within our knowledge. But we have a limitless domain just above us, which most of us don't even imagine. Of course, the flourishing technologies prompts the eagerness to find new things, around us. So if we succeed in finding a way of life in space, it would decrease the present day controversies and improve mankind drastically.

There are more than 7 billion habitable planets found in our universe which are out of our reach. Due to our mediocre technology and human resource, we could not even imagine of reaching the nearest habitable planet, which is 40.11 trillion kilometers away (Source: Wikipedia). However, we human beings are skillful and knowledgeable to research and investigate the things in space from the Earth. Scientists all over the world are very curious about knowing the habitable exo-planets in space by analyzing the chemical composition of different atmospheres, precipitation patterns, cloud distribution, etc. As per our meticulous research, it ended up with different drawbacks.

There are suitable areas to live without necessary primary resources in our solar system. 'Europa', Jupiter's second largest moon has a good atmosphere. But, due to icy temperature Europa's water is frozen and has led to thermal vents due to Jupiter's gravity. Similarly, 'Titan', 'Venus',' Triton', etc., have many favourable conditions, but a tiny drawback leads to no chance of survival.

These environments are very general in space. We can't expect anything favorable with the limited effort. But if human beings take a giant leap to research and work hard in this field, sure we could achieve great success which will be an extraordinary contribution to mankind, as the new domain would create a positive impact and soon we can celebrate the success in space.

The concrete truth is that,

"THE KEY TO THE FUTURE IS SPACE"

And mankind would get the key soon!

-Aakaash K B, Grade - XI

PURITY & DIVINITY
AT THEIR HIGHEST FORM

Why do you like mathematics? This is the question asked by many to me. Even though there are many answers to this question the one which I would like to tell is the purity, divinity and supreme beauty that mathematics possesses. I strongly believe that Purity and divinity at their highest form is mathematics.

Anything in this universe can be broken down to give simple mathematical concepts. This is the pure nature of mathematics that makes it to be embedded with everything, and thus it beautifies them.

"Mathematics, rightly viewed, possesses not only truth, but supreme beauty- a beauty cold and austere, like that of a sculpture, without appeal to any part of our weaker nature… sublimely pure, and capable of a stern perfection which only the greatest art can show". -Bertrand Russell

Having understood this beauty, it is impossible for anyone to resist themselves from mathematics. Some people get excited, some get anxious. Many say that mathematics is full of problems. But it is more than that. Only the purest minds can handle it with perfection which most of us lack.

Understanding mathematics is like meditation. Observing things is what mathematicians do and observing mathematics is what we all do unknowingly. Once we understand this, then mathematics will be your friend and it accepts you as you are and never leaves you alone. It is a divine subject. Mathematics is based on axioms. One can change it to build his/her own theorem which is as authentic as mathematics itself. A statement in mathematics is either true or false, based on our definition on the statement given by unprovable axioms. This ultimate freedom with purity can be seen only in mathematics.

Do you think that mathematics is invented by us, is an art? If you think yes, you are wrong. It is a language through which nature speaks to us. Let me give you an example. We are all aware of the term "PI" expanded as 3.14..... in base **10** which, according to us is defined as the ratio of circumference to the radius of a circle, but its character is present in nature, not as a property of a circle instead, as a number, having its own character which is added to objects. There are many other examples which lead us to the question *'Is GOD a mathematician?'*

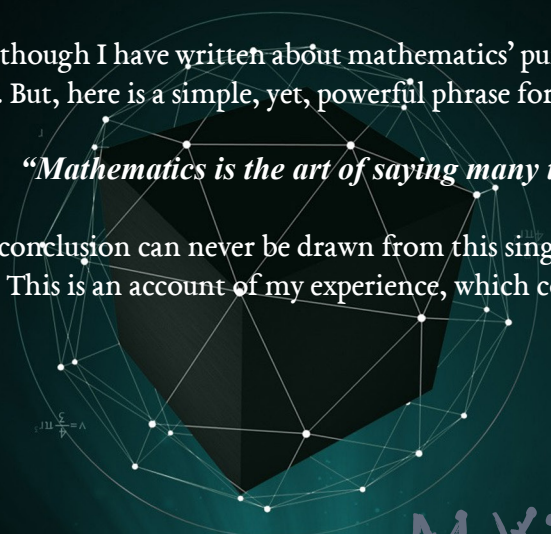
The answer might be yes but I don't have any proof. A living creature in this world might not know science but it does know counting and reasoning. This indicates that there is an inbuilt mathematical knowledge in all of us. I don't know whether nature, gave us this inbuilt knowledge which is so miraculous like a natural bond between a child and its mother.

Although I have written about mathematics' purity and divinity, I am not able to give a right definition for it till now. But, here is a simple, yet, powerful phrase for mathematics which I believe is a better way to define it:

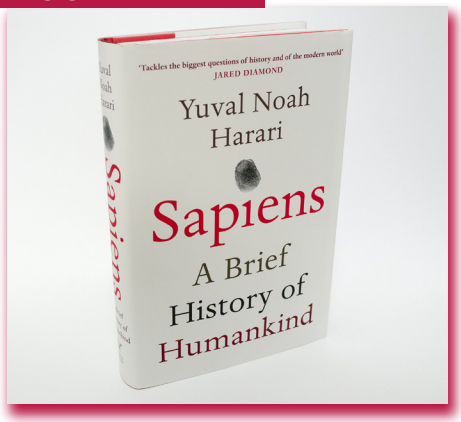
"Mathematics is the art of saying many things in many different ways." -MAXWELL

A conclusion can never be drawn from this single article but, an impact can surely be created in the minds of readers. This is an account of my experience, which could be believed only when experienced.

-Madhuvanti R S, Grade - XII



MYTH OR MATH?!



Yuval Noah Harari is really an amazing author, who has compressed 70,000 years of human evolution into a book. The root story of Sapiens has been clearly sequenced. I realize the reasons behind, why he refuses to accept the revolutionary culture of humans. I suspect that it may be because of slowly replacing the humans and humanity with the ceaseless activities of the human beings, where no other living thing(s) can ever envisage.

He states politely, "We did not domesticate wheat. It domesticated us". This explains how food alienated humans and nature. He adds that agricultural advancement plagued most of the infectious diseases as it alters the hierarchy even worse.

He relentlessly accepts the Law of human beings which is visible from one of his quotes, *"It is wrong to consider only the happiness of humans"*. His words reflect the present life style of humans. I can figure it as food plays an important role in emotions and desires. This has led to an utter unhealthy lifestyle and also it eliminated the top members of the food chain to lose their natural positions.

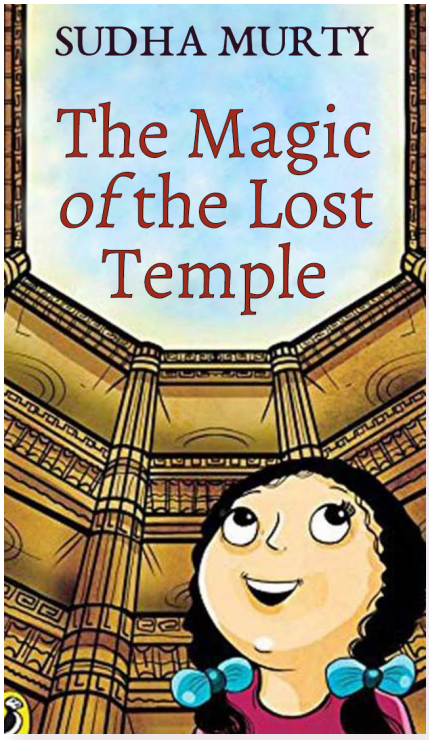
The unimpeded developments of Sapiens ingurgitation of the natural resources unconditionally. When he says *"Science is unable to set its own priorities"*, he means how science has turned ignorant and favourable to us. We've emancipated everything by gaining control over the environment to transmute natural selection.

From this epic book, Harari infers that, *"Humans are, never satisfied, more treacherous because they don't know what they have altered with this technological advancement, especially against the laws of natural evolution"*. Albeit vicinity of species is impressive, omnium-gatherum never stops drawing poignant actions towards calm nature. It's us, only us, who need to analyse the way he overlooks the entire history of our species, the dearth of moral knowledge and the solace of our development.

He strongly trusts that the zeitgeists of humans are still wary, dubious and volatile. It is the right time to really think, stall a bit, for a change and focus on irreproachable advancement of eco-friendly human beings.

-Ameenoor Raseed A R, Dept. of C S

Sudha Murthy is a storyteller beyond excellence. She has an absolutely amazing way of connecting to the readers, which makes her books so wonderful to read. 'The Magic of the Lost Temple' is a story of a twelve year old girl named Nooni, who was born and brought up in Bangalore, where she lives with her parents. Nooni, a tomboy by nature, grabs the opportunity to spend her summer holidays with her grandparents at their village Somanahalli in Karnataka, when her mother needs to attend a training for 6 weeks in Delhi.



Wonderful days are spent learning to ride the bicycle, having picnics by the banks of the river, helping her Ajji make papads & pickles, hearing stories from Ajja and making many friends. Along the way, Nooni and her friends stumble upon an archaeological finding which fills us with an adventure galore. Later, Nooni and her parents realise that a heart-warming village way of life can be so much more than the mechanical vicious life lead in cities. With the constant guidance and teachings from her grandparents, Nooni experiences the true value of things in life.

The magical storyteller, Sudha Murty's writing style is unassuming and homely. Her simple English, would make everybody comfortable with the storyline.

Nooni's character is well etched out by the writer and each of her adventure makes us love her more. The story would definitely make us envy the holiday experiences of yesteryears. It's sure that our parents would feel nostalgic about their childhood days, which we really miss now. A subtle reference to today's fast life in cities and the lack of respect for nature is woven wonderfully in the book. The importance of sharing & caring, and the plots of the simplistic life in a village makes the readers more connected to the story line.

What we really could take away from this book is that, life of a child is much more beyond classes, exams and competitions.

The best part for a child is, just being a child & to cherish the childhood. The children are blessed with treasured relationships and the real life lessons learnt from these wise souls would prepare them for their enduring life.

A definitely delightful read for parents and children!

-Mathangi N, Grade - X

The Da Vinci Code - taps into a wellspring of so many different and fascinating topics. The novel touches upon the early history of Christianity, the mysteries of the medieval Knights Templar society, numerology, and above all, the archetype of the Grail Quest.

"Grail is not a cup, but a tomb containing the bones of Mary Magdalene"

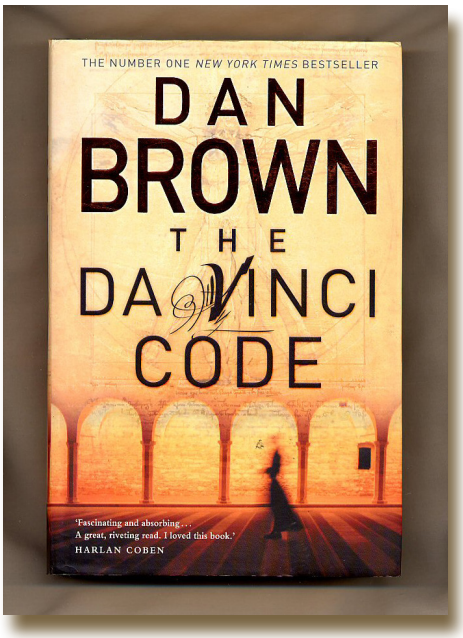
The themes in this book (regarding Mary Magdalene and the sacred feminine) didn't ruffle me. Do proceed with caution. The novel's plot is centred around a very controversial topic.

Over thirty-five years ago, Umberto Eco's novel **"The Name of the Rose"** was the equivalent in its time of Dan Brown's **"The Da Vinci Code"**. Ron Howard's film version of the book, not only does justice to the novel, but in many aspects it is laudable!

Dan Brown is an evil genius. He obviously enjoys our torment as we try to live through everyday life, while Robert Langdon is just inches from demise. Honestly, don't pick up this book on a work night, because of these tantalizingly short chapters and a highly suspenseful style, you will not want to put this book down at all. There is really no too much of complicated stuff in this book. If you are a theologian, keeping the controversies aside, as long as you keep it within the context of fiction, you should have no problems reading this excellent book. These incorporated elements of 'conspiracy theory,' satisfying those 'what-if' thoughts with its racing plot.

Without digging into literary criticism, Dan Brown had hooked me right from the prologue and I thought it was clever how he fused nuances here and there. Overall I just loved it, I adored a good mystery. A great book with more depth than your average leisure read!

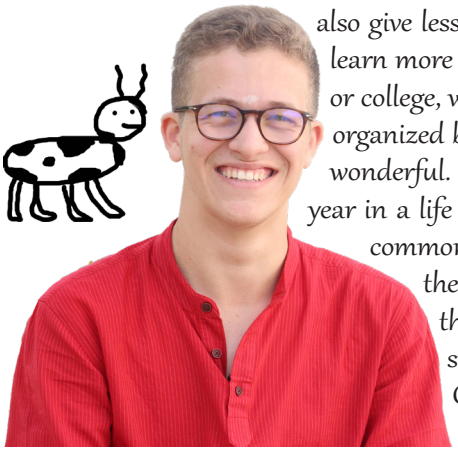
-Abdul RaafiQ A R, Department of Technology



Youth Exchange Program



I'm a Youth Exchange Student, I'm 19 and I come from Belgium. I was an exchange student from Belgium to India. I was in Geethaanjali School and I was welcomed in the best way by the Chairman, the Principal, the staff and the students. I have made a lot of friends from XI and XII... I noticed that the teachers were not only teaching lessons throughout the year, they also give lessons for their lifetime, not the basic class, but something to learn more about the life, that they will be in need after leaving School or college, while they have their job. I took part in almost all the events organized by the School with the students and the teachers and it was wonderful. These are the moments I will never forget. There is a saying in Rotary that "It's not one year in a life but a life in a year".The atmosphere is just amazing in Geethaanjali. It is actually not a common School it is a huge family where everybody is very close to each other, I admire this! It was the best experience of my life! I feel grateful for giving me great love and care by everyone. The thought of getting back to my country gives no good feeling because of the amazing time I spent here in India. I am planning to come back again to visit all my new relations given by Geethaanjali. I once again thank Geethaanjali.



-Alexis Paques



Opportunities knocking our doors at the recent days are being extraordinarily difficult. When a child between 15 and 17 years of age is sent out to different countries, breaking the boundaries, it is only when the world achieves peace. I, just at 15, feel so gifted to get a chance to fly over 8500 miles to a new land called the United States of America, all by myself, to explore the bits and corners of it. According to my perspective, experience & learning are the best two things that a child can receive to equip himself into a responsible citizen. This is one of a kind exposure, where you can fill yourself with self confidence, responsibility and an elite attitude. How better could it be for me to experience a geography covered with fluffy white snow and be able to ski or snowboard down the hill? How privileged am I to live with my new extended family, for almost a year, learning their daily customs? How lucky could it be for me to celebrate wonderful festivals like Christmas, Easter and Thanksgiving? Honestly, I was just enjoying all the food over there, even though I have never ever heard of it in my life and experienced the beauty of their culture. Learning being the essence of the program, I went out there to seek more about space, enjoyed doing crazy stuffs like building & launching rockets, flying drones and programming robots. I also got a chance to travel across the east coast, thereby, enjoying the natural beauty of the country's history. Earning people's relationship is the true meaning of earn and now I do have tons of friends at this moment, who care about me. More than anything, I felt that it was my prime responsibility to make my own country proud in a foreign land. Finally, wrapping up all these is what you prove in an Exchange Program. When I look back at the first day in the USA, I was able to locate four walls around myself, but on my last day, I could see my friends waving goodbye with tears in their eyes and love in their hearts.

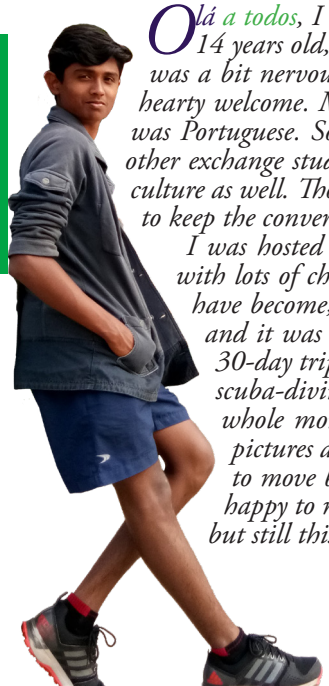


-Aadhavan Subbulakshmi Manickam, Grade - XI



SEJA SEMPRE FELIZ COM UM SORRISO!

ALWAYS BE HAPPY WITH A SMILE!



Olá a todos, I left to Brazil for the Youth Exchange program from India. I was just 14 years old, when I got a chance to travel alone to a far away country, Brazil. I was a bit nervous. I had my host family waiting for me in the airport. There was a hearty welcome. My School was an International School, where the teaching medium was Portuguese. So, I had to learn the language to attend my classes. There were few other exchange students from all around the world, which helped me in learning their culture as well. Though I got my Graduation in Portuguese, at times, I found it difficult to keep the conversation going and I ran out of words.

I was hosted by Catholic families, so I celebrated Christmas, Halloween, Easter with lots of chocolates and gifts. I became very independent, which I would never have become, if I just stayed at home at my mother's lap. It was January already and it was time for my journey around Brazil with other exchangers. It was a 30-day trip all along the North-Eastern coastline of Brazil, where I did surfing, scuba-diving, sandboarding and various other adventurous stuff, a straight whole month of entertainment along beaches. I was so tanned but still took pictures at the Christ the Redeemer. It was almost May and it was time for me to move back to my motherland, India. I was sad for leaving Brazil and was happy to meet my family again after one full year. I don't know how to express, but still this was one of the best experiences in my lifetime.

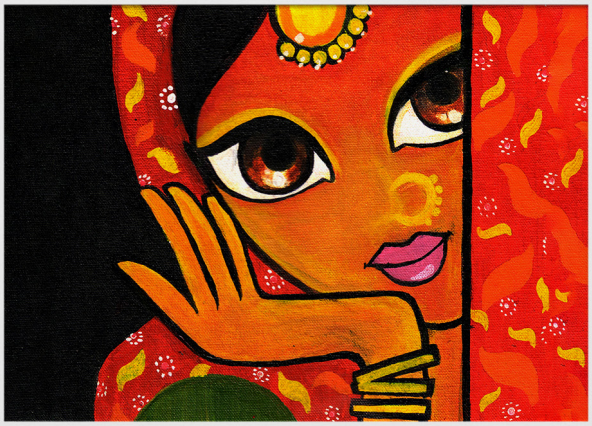
-Shreehan Balaji, Grade - X

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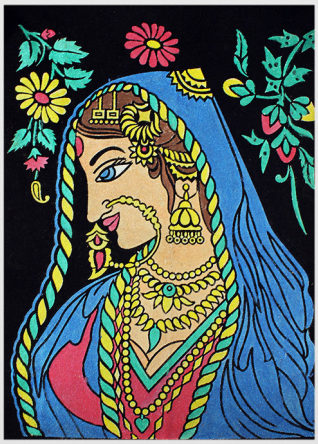
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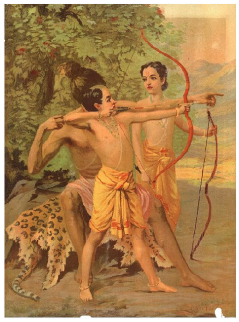
Kishore Kumar A S, Grade X



Soorya Senthil Rajan, Grade XII

தமிழர்களின் பெருமையை பறைசாற்றும் வீரக் கலைகள்!

வில்வித்தை



வில்லும் அம்பும் ஒருங்கிணைந்து எய்யும் அற்புதமான கலையே வில்வித்தை. இது ஆரம்ப காலத்தில் மறைந்திருந்து தாக்கும் ஒரு கலையாகத்தான் உருவானது. பிறகு காடுகளில் கொடிய விலங்குகளை வேட்டையாடுவதற்கும், தாக்குவதற்கும் வில்வித்தை பயன்படுத்தப்பட்டது. அதனை அடிப்படையாகக் கொண்டு போர்க்கலையாக உருமாறியது. இதிகாச நாயகர்கள் வில்வித்தையில் சிறந்து விளங்கி வில்லாளிகளாகத் திகழ்ந்தார்கள். வில்லுக்கு விஜயன் என்பதுவும் இராமன் மராமரம் ஏழும் எய்தவன் என்பதும் அவர்களின் வில்வித்தைக்குச் சான்றாக அமைந்தன. இப்படி பல வழிகளில் வில்வித்தை மிகவும் சிறப்பாக வளர்ந்து வந்தது. இலக்கை குறிவைத்து அம்புகளை விடும் இந்த விளையாட்டு குழந்தைகளுக்கு மகிவும் பிடித்தமான விளையாட்டாக இருக்கிறது. இது கூர்மையான மன ஒருமைப்பாட்டை உருவாக்கும் கலையாகத் திகழ்கிறது.

சிலம்பம்

மனிதனின் உணர்வுகளில் வீரம் என்பது மிகவும் முக்கியத்துவம் வாய்ந்த ஒ ன் று . ஆதிமனிதர்கள் கொடூரமான மிருகங்களிடம் இருந்து தன்னைப் பாதுகாத்துக்கொள்ள அவற்றின் செயல்பாடுகளை ஒத்தே தனது பாதுகாப்பு முறைகளை உருவாக்கினர். தற்காப்புக்கலை என்றாலே நமக்கு சீனாவோ ஜப்பானோ தான் நினைவிற்கு வரும். ஆனால் தற்பொழுது நடைமுறையில் உள்ள பழைய தொன்மையான தற்காப்புக்கலைகள் எல்லாம் தமிழகத்தைச் சார்ந்த சித்தர் பெருமக்களால் பயிற்றுவிக்கப்பட்ட கலைகளாகும். அதில் சிலம்பம் என்பது உடல், மனம், ஆன்மா மூன்றையும் ஒன்றிணைக்கும் அற்புதமான கலையாகும்.





-மணிகண்டன் தி, தற்காப்புக்கலை ஆசிரியர்

தமிழன் விளையாட்டு

கயிறு தாவுதல்	- முழு உடல்மன ஆரோக்கியம்
பாண்டியாட்டம்	- விழிப்புடன் செயல்படும் மனோபாவம்
ஒரு குடம் தண்ணீர்	- ஒற்றுமையைக் கற்பிக்கும் உற்சாகம்
பல்லாங்குழி	- கணிதம் வளர்க்கும் சிந்தனை
பச்சைக் குதிரை தாண்டுதல்	- தடையைத் தாண்டும் முயற்சியில் சாதனை
ஒளிந்து விளையாடுதல்	- தன்னம்பிக்கை மற்றும் தைரியத்தின் உரம்
தட்டாங்கல்	- ஒரே நேர்கோட்டில் கவனம் செலுத்துதல்
சிலம்பாட்டம்	- விவேகம், வீரத்துடன் பெருமைக்கு முதற்படி
உறியடித்தல்	- இடையூறுகளைக் கடந்து மகிழ்தல்
சல்லிக்கட்டு	- அன்பையும், வீரத்தையும் ஒருசேர வளர்த்தெடுத்தல்

எமது விளையாட்டுகளெல்லாம் வெறும் விளையாட்டுகள் அல்ல!
நமக்குள் நற்குணங்களை விதைத்து,
வாழ்வில் வளங்களைச் சேர்த்து,
விழிப்புடன் வெற்றிக்கு வழிவகுப்பனவே!

-ஐஸ்வர்யா இரா, ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு

அசைபோடும் ஆசைகள்

கடைத்தெருவிலும் கிடைக்காது
காசு பணமும் கேட்காது
கரியாகும் விறகும்
காலி நிலமும் கொஞ்சம் போதும்...
மழையும் எமைக் கண்டு மலைத்து நிற்க
வெயிலும் வந்திருந்து வேடிக்கை பார்க்கும்
எள்ளையும் நெல்லையும்
எடைபோட்டு மூட்டைகட்டி
அளந்து காட்டும்
காலடி குச்சியும் கணக்கு சொல்ல
ஓரடி குச்சியும் உந்திவிடும் விளையாட்டை
ஆசையாய் அசைபோட்டு
அமைதியாய் நடக்கிறேன் அவசர உலகில்!

-சௌந்தரராஜன் பா, ஓட்டுநர்

Hardwork Beats Talent

Sports include all forms of competitive physical activity or games. It aims to improve and maintain physical ability along with skills, while providing entertainment to both participants & spectators. Apart from entertainment, sports has many lessons to life like hard work, optimism, confidence, teamwork, dedication etc. As in sports, for example, we can't walk through an interview without confidence, we need to prove that we deserve the job.

Teamwork helps to reach the goals quicker, because a team of people work together, who have different strengths. If I am a journalist, I have to anchor a show on television. To execute that I need a team, with producers, cameraman and a crew. Once we start something, we need to finish it. Likewise, for a sports teacher achieving or winning in a race is not important, but completing a started race with full dedication and confidence is an appreciable thing. It is disrespectful to give up on oneself.

Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard, even if we aren't the most talented person, hard work means more. We must work hard in life in order to accomplish our goals and fulfil our dreams. 'Optimism' is not always easy. It is very easy to get down from our challenges and career but sports however teaches us that we can't just give up. Confidence in ourselves makes us say Yes! We can!

-Samson Chrysolyte A, Grade - XI

FOOTBALL

Football or The Beautiful Game, as it is called, has been the sole reason for inspirational journeys of many renowned faces we know today. We have said much on why we call Football as the Beautiful Game! We have ascribed it to the art displayed on the field by Pele and Maradona, the Total Football strategy by Johan Cruyff's Netherlands and the clinical football of Germany. We also had a fair share of commentaries about supporters' passion, the unpredictability of the game. Plenty of footballers we know have had a battered childhood, but became successful once their soul touched the ball. Romelu Lukaku's emotional blog tells us how a poor kid could take care of his family because of the game and there are hundreds like them.

This is a beautiful game because it is an industry where one can become a star with no father or father figure, and there are no easy dynasty successions like in businesses or politics. Even the poor and the traumatised can score a goal, save a goal and become a Hero. Isn't this therapeutic for hero-worshipping, aspirational football lovers?

The beautiful game helps the common man identify Brazil more with Pele, Zico, Ronaldo, Ronaldinho and Neymar than with violent shootouts and drug trade at Favelas or for having one of the highest inequalities in the world. It is because of footballers like Didier Drogba, Samuel Eto'o, and Yaya Toure that we have mellowed down our clouded understanding of Africa- the dark continent of poverty, AIDS, and civil wars. Can we deny these footballers are the reason behind the smiles of thousands of their countrymen, who fight poverty?

-Suresh T N, Department of Transport

Best in the Field

We're always looking to expand our crew. It's not so simple to go at one's own preferred pace. Now, it is the dawn of a new era. Here, we are proud to share few sources to inform you, what and how? What happens when we stop caring for our favourite teams in sports? It never happens, right! Hope you all would take the opportunity to experience the different teams and sports personalities as well. Yes, sports have moved you!

We all know that every field is covered by various magazines with different names. For young people, magazines are a form of entertainment. Magazines are wonderful supplements with high-interest content. Literary magazines support readers in their literacy development. They bring an array of content for young readers, but nothing is said to be 'immediate news'. They prove themselves as a source of the largest mass media in history. They offer variety of texts like story elements, characterization, caricatures, cause and effect, predictions and inferences.

One of the sources we mean here is none other than the Sports Magazine. Writers of sports magazines address the readers to wait and see what their 'friends and fans' are up to next. They do submit jokes, artwork, captions, poems and what not? In case you missed it, pull yourself to move in a race, you would become a superstar, the hero of the rally one day.

In recent times, there are a large number of sports magazines published throughout the world. Some are globally based and some are regionally based. Do you read any sports magazine to cherish your passion for sports? Won't those magazines allow you to gain knowledge, compare things of the present with that of the past? Sports magazines are a good guide for an inspirational sportsperson. To make you engage with any sport, and to direct your interpersonal skills for a better career, we suggest you to understand sports by spending time to read the current and latest facts in sports magazines.

Do you know when is 'The National Sports Day' celebrated in India? It's August 29, every year. This is the birthday of Major Dhyan Chand Singh, who was the great Indian Hockey player of the Indian team. He won the gold medals in Olympics for India in the years 1928, 1932, and 1936. He is considered as one of the greatest field hockey players of all time of India. Is the fact interesting? Such type of facts are readily available in all sports magazines.

A few magazines are popularly known for certain facts, which will stimulate readership.

a) Golf Magazine is popular for honouring recent Golfers with their 'Golfers of the year' award. It takes surveys about them and interviews with famous golf players, gives tips on the best values for golf courses to go to on vacation.

b) Baseball Digest is famous for publishing various important baseball events like Major League Baseball. It provides information about profiles of your favourite players. It has to its plus 'The fans speak out' section.

c) Sporting news is well liked for honouring the sportsmen with various awards such as an 'Athlete of the year' and 'Sportsman of the year'.

Having the habit of reading factual magazines is for your intellect. Engaging yourself in any sport is to enjoy the health and vigour of life. In either way, there are chances to enlarge the circle of making your friends. Here, we would like to share this quote from Jesee Owens, the Legendary American athlete, who won four gold medals in the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin, Germany. It goes like this,

"Friendships born on the field of athletic strife
are the real gold of competition, awards become corroded,
but friends gather no dust"

Certainly every youngster will have to put his/her skills and abilities towards the spirit of comradeship.

Let us 'Be the Legend' to have limitless fun and excitement in sports life.

-Suseela S, Department of English

TRICKY RACK



We can find a lot of success stories in sports and games. Sports personalities do things brilliantly and earn everlasting name for their country. The sportsperson flips failure into success that has the real essence of dedication and something one can take inspiration from. Team sports offer people of all ages an opportunity for social interaction.

The career span of a sports personality is generally around twenty years, which ranges between 20-40 years of age, depending on the sporting activity that he/she is involved and become a star by the time. The payoff is heavily loaded upfront. There is a race between sports and formal education. Only a few parents nowadays are open to children in pursuing a career in sports. Ample credit goes to Neeraj Chopra, Amit Panghal, Sania Mirza, Hima Das and Viswanathan Anand at this point. They have shown the world that success mesmerizes people from all walks of life. There is always an avenue for those who are willing to pursue their career in sports.

One minute a child is racing for the finish line, shooting for goal or hitting a six. The next minute she/he can't believe she/he was pipped at the post, missed the net or got caught on the boundary. The great thing about junior sport is that, children get chances to experience these emotional highs and lows in a safe, appropriate and structured environment. Sports can give chances to learn about being part of a team, winning well, bouncing back from a loss and coping with unpleasant experiences like injuries and defeats.

Hundreds of sports exist, from those between single contestants, to those with hundreds of simultaneous participants, either in teams or competing as individuals. In certain sports such as racing, many contestants may compete , simultaneously or consecutively, with one winner; in others, the match is between two sides, each attempting to exceed the other. Some sports allow a tie game; others have tie-breaking methods to ensure the winner. A number of contests may be arranged in a tournament producing a champion. Many sports leagues make champions by arranging games in a regular sports season, followed in some cases by playoffs.

A Melbourne University summary fact sheet claims, playing sports leads to healthy growth of bones, muscles and connective tissues in children. It also suggests, children who play sports tend to remain more physically active as an invigorating adult.



"Till the full stop doesn't come,
the sentence is not complete." -Mahendra Singh Dhoni

-Rishwanth T & Karthick Mahendran M, Grade - XI

வீறுகொண்டு எழு

விசம் நிறைந்த மனங்களின் உதவியில்
விசமம் இருக்குதே
பொதுநலம் என்பது விளம்பரமானதால்
சுயநலம் பிறக்குதே
கயமை மனிதர் வாழும் உலகில்
மெய்மையும் ஓடி மறையுதே
வாய்மை நிறைந்த உன்னத பூமி
கலங்கியே நின்று தவிக்குதே
சரித்திர பூமியில் பொதுநலம் மலர்ந்திட
உன்னத செயல்தனைப் புரிந்திடு
உந்தன் செயலால் சுயநல வர்க்கத்தை
தேசம் விட்டு விரட்டிடு.

-மாலதி ர, தமிழாசிரியை

THE SECRET OF LIFE...



We all work with an infinite power, guided by a secret law. It is known by 'The Law of attraction'. Everything that comes into our life, either attracts us or we are attracted by the virtue of images that holds our mind.

"Every thought of ours is an ultimate real force"

The Law of attraction states, "Like Attracts Like". So as you think something, you are attracting like thoughts towards you. Have you ever started thinking about something, which you were not happy about? And more you think about it, the worse it seemed to be? That's because, when you think any sustained thought, by the law of attraction, immediately brings more about that.

The more and more you think about something, so as you oscillate unconditionally. Our role as human beings is to hold onto the thoughts, especially what is good for all. You become what you think about the most.

"Thoughts become Things!"

But, "Why is everybody is not living the life of their dreams?" Here is the problem. Most of the people are thinking about what they don't want to be and they wonder why it shows up over and over again. The law of attraction doesn't compute "don't" or "not" or "no" or any other words of annulment, just feel the difference here, "I don't want to be delayed" or "I want delays", "I don't want to argue" or "I want more arguing".

When you become aware of this great law, you become incredibly powerful. When I can THINK of my life into existence, why can't you?

-Vaishiya T, Grade - IX

WHY TOO Many Choices???

'Overchoice' occurs when many equivalent choices are available. Making a decision becomes overwhelming due to many potential outcomes, which may result in making the wrong choice. Having too many equal options is mentally draining because, each option must be weighed against alternatives to select the best ones.

The more choices you have, the more fatigued you become. They make us unhappy and lead us sometimes to abscond from making a decision altogether. So, let's limit our choices by:

- ✓ Keep only those things that motivate you, the rest just gets in the way.
- ✓ Simplify your life by taking simple decisions and spend more time in making important decisions that truly impact your life in a big way. Former President Obama only wore grey or blue suits to be efficent.
- ✓ Working on the same tasks in the same structure again and again leads to higher degree of mental fatigue. Humans need creativity and variance to thrive. Switching gears makes your mind focus on something else. That's why our best solution often comes when we are in a completely different environment.
- ✓ Stop worrying about past decisions. If you make a decision for the right reason, trust and let it take its own pace.

Put limits on your opinion to make the best decision. Letting yourself with less options to choose from, can choose the derived decision.

-Geetha R, Department of Commerce



खरीदोगे क्या?

इस नव युग में सब कुछ बिकते है।
तुम क्या खरीदोगे?
ईमान या धर्म
भाषा या इलम
देश या समाज
भक्त या भगवान
जीत या ज़िंदगी
बचपन या खेल
माँ या ममता
खुशी या धन
परिश्रम या नसीब
निर्णय नहीं ले पाते हो न.....?
यही है ज़िंदगी।।

-Hazeera A, Dept. of Hindi

Powerful 'D'

Create a Desire in you.
Convert it into your Destination.
Detect the things which are all interfering you to reach your Destiny.
Find a new unique Direction that no one has travelled.
Disconnect everything which will Discourage you.
Deactivate all the negative thoughts in you.
Dedicate yourself fully in all your work. Practice it Daily.
Now, your Desire will become your Destination.

-Prince Immanuel W S, Dept. of Science

SPARK of MY LIFE

"Every empowerment and pride starts from teachers, who are the sparks of my life"

The word 'teacher' has a lot of meaning in it, which cannot be expressed. The boon companion of the student's life are their teachers. I admired their affable etiquette, especially in my family Geethaanjali. The preceptors of this School teach everything in a unique way with positivity. They made me to recognize the quality of being sagacious. They taught me to be clearheaded and decisive when I was in chaos. They are the educators, who have always steered me to the right destination. My teacher-fecilitator gave me the progressive Schooling. They are my key to success. Teachers lead their life like a ladder to accomplish each and every child's goal. The love and happiness to fulfil my childhood is given by my mothers (teacher). My great teachers cannot be forgotten.

-Elanthendral O T R, Grade - IX

5 ஐவிரல்கள்

கைகளின் மூலதனம் விரல்கள் தானே
இவை தனித்தே இருப்பது முறைதானோ
பிரிந்தே நின்றால் விரல்களுக்கென்றும் பெருமை சேராதே!
இணைந்தே ஒன்றாய் நின்றிடும் போது
வானும் மண்ணும் வசப்படுமே!
ஒற்றைக் கம்பை உடைப்பதென்பது
ஒரு நொடிப்பொழுதில் நிகழ்ந்திடுமே
கட்டாய்க் கட்டி முறிக்கும் போது
கடுகளவும் கூட நகராதே
உனக்குள் சண்டை எதிரிக்கு என்றும்
நீங்கா வெற்றியைத் தந்திடுமே
ஒற்றுமையின் வலிமையை முற்றாக
உணர்ந்தவரை வெற்றிகள் எளிதாய்ச் சூழ்ந்திடுமே
கட்டை விரலென்றும் குட்டை விரலென்றும்
அலட்சியம் மனதில் கொள்ளாதே
கட்டை விரலுக்கு பெருவிரல் என்றொரு
பெயரும் இருப்பதை அறியாயோ
பெரு விரல் இன்றி பருக்கை சோற்றையும்
பருக உன்னால் முடியாதே!
அகிலத்தில் உள்ள அனைத்தையும்
அழகாய்ச் சுட்டி உணர்த்திடுமே
ஒற்றை விரலின் அசைவினிலே
மாந்தரின் தவறைத் தடுத்திடுமே
விரைவாய்ச் சுட்டிக் காட்டியதால்
சுட்டு விரலெனும் பெயரை ஏற்றதுவே!
அகன்று விரிந்த வான்வெளியில்
உலகம் கூட சுழல்கிறதே
நடுமையம் என்ற ஒன்றாலே
பொருள்கள் நிலையாய் நிற்கிறதே
நடுவு நிலைமை இருந்தால் தான்
நீதி நேர்மை நிலைத்திடுமே
நடுவில் நின்று மிளிர்வதனால்
நடுவிரலென்னும் பெயரும் வந்ததுவே!
மற்றவர் உன்னைப் பக்தியுடன்
மனதில் நினைத்துப் போற்றிடவே
மோதிர விரலும் முன் வந்தேதான்
உன் நெற்றியில் நீரை அணிந்திடுமே
உன்னுள் அமைதியைக் கொடுத்திடுமே!
கைகளைக் கூப்பி வணங்கிடவே
விரல்கள் ஐந்தும் இணைந்திடுமே
உயரத்தில் குறைவாய் இருந்தாலும்
ஐந்தின் முதலாய் வந்திடுமே
குறையை உடைய மனிதர்களும்
நிறைவாய் வாழ முடியுமென்று
நம்பிக்கைக் கருத்தை நமக்கிங்கு
சுண்டு விரலும் உணர்த்திடுதே!
ஒவ்வொரு விரலும் உரைக்கும் கருத்தை
உலகம் என்றும் ஏற்றிடுதே
இருந்தும் தனித்து நின்றால்
தரணியில் எதையும் வென்றிட முடியாதே
இணைந்தே இருந்தால் சரித்திரம்
படைப்பதை எவரும் தடுத்திட முடியாதே
தனித்தே நின்று வாழ்வதென்றும் சாதனையாகாது
கூடி வாழ்ந்தால் கிடைத்திடும்
நன்மைக்கு ஈடொன்றும் கிடையாது
ஒற்றுமை என்றொரு கயிரை நீயும்
ஒற்றையாய்ப் பிடித்திடல் தவறாகும்
அனைவரும் ஒன்றாய் இணைந்தே பிடித்திட
வாழ்க்கை என்றும் உயர்வாகும்!

-மோகனாம்பாள் தெ, தமிழாசிரியை

पवन

पवन के गीत में पौधे नाच रही है,
हर जगह भरा हुआ है, एकांत में भी छिपा हुआ है।
इसे नापने का तराजु धरती में नहीं है।
पंचभूत में अंत में है तो भी,
अन्य भूतों को हिलना एवं हिलाना इसके बिना कहाँ ?
मानते हैं पानी के बिना पृथ्वी में कुछ भी नहीं हैं,
पर पवन के बिना पानी कैसे ?
परमात्मा अरूप होकर भी भूलोक को नचाता है,
पवन भी अरूप है, पर जग को देता है जीवन।
सिर्फ़ पवन को ही रूप से नफ़रत है,
इसलिए सोच लिया अरूप को अंबर क्यों?
पानी, पृथ्वी, अग्नि, आकाश, चाँद, मेघ सब प्रकृति के रूप हैं,
पर पवन ही दिल का छाप है।
पवन के बिना क्या पेड़ भी बाल सँवारेगा !
या पौधे भी शर्माकर मुँह झुकेगा ?
पवन तन के भीतर आने – जाने तक ही
हमारे जीवन की ज़मानत है।
पवन तुमहारे आत्म ज्ञान का मालिक नहीं ,
लगातार तुमको परेशान करने वाला मज़दूर है।।
जब हम पदोन्नति पाएंगे तब वह बरखास्त हो जाता है।
बदबू, खुश्बू, महक, काला धुआ, धूल आदि से भरा बोझ है पवन।
आकाश और पृथ्वी के बीच कँपन महसूस न होने के लिए
भरा गया तकिया है पवन।।
जब वह इंसान को प्यार से आलिंगन करता है तो
उसे शीतल समीर कहते हैं।
जोरसे टकराया तो तूफान कहकर चिल्लाते है।
लगता है पवन में भी कई जात है
इन्सानों की तरह.....।

-Sharmatha Ravi, Department of Hindi

NOBLE SOULS

"Love is the greatest gift that one generation can leave to the progeny" -Richard Garnett

The feeling of the noble souls being around us cannot be described through words. Getting nurtured by the love and affection of these souls is the warmest feeling in the world. It means you have someone to love you always, completely. They teach us lessons and share their golden experiences with all silver hair, which is beyond our books and syllabus. The fastener between grandparents and grandchildren can't be portrayed in words. Our great grandparents not only inculcated good habits and moral values in their grandchildren, but also were their best pals to have unlimited fun.

Earlier children used to spend a lot of time with their grandparents. Unfortunately, the growing trend of the nuclear families has limited the contact between grandparents and grandchildren, this tends to miss the treasure of building a special bond. In our Temple of learning, Grandparents' Day is the special occasion to strengthen this divine bond. It is the most precious day when children understand the meaning of sharing and togetherness, which is uncomparable and invaluable under the sky. They spill their pearls of wisdom and also fill our lives with plenty of family traditions.

On this day, grandparents enthusiastically take part to sprinkle their values to their angels and princes with warm hearts. The most special part is the "Patha Pooja", by the grandkids to their grandparents to receive heavenly blessings from them. Songs, dance and games are presented to entertain our grandparents. The children revere their grandparents with handmade gifts, which are made by them as a tribute and token of love.

"God couldn't be everywhere, so he made GRANDPARENTS"

-Madhav N, Grade - X

குவலயம் போற்றும்
குன்றாத அறிவும்
உலகெலாம் வாழ்த்தும்
உயர்ந்த ஒழுக்கமும்
மனிதத் தன்மையை
மனதில் நிறுத்திடும்
மாசற்ற கல்வியை
மங்காது கொடுப்பதும்
எமது கல்விக் கூடம்...!
எழில் கொஞ்சும் சித்திரங்களை
ஏற்றமுடன் வடித்தெடுத்து
உடல் வளர்க்கும் உயர்பயிற்சிகளை
உன்னதமாய் உருக்கொடுத்து
பைந்தமிழர் பழங்கலைதனை
பாங்குடனே வார்த்தெடுத்து
நவயுகத்து கணிப்பொறியியலை
நயமுடனே கொடுத்தளித்து
நானிலமும் போற்றிடவே
நன்மை பல கொடுத்திடுமே
எமது பள்ளி ...!

- தனிஷ்கா வி, எட்டாம் வகுப்பு



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE DAY

"Good things come to those who wait
but the best things come to those who explore"

Academic Excellence Day is one such day where the scholastic talents of every child of our School is exhibited on stage in front of their peer group and parents. This day is the much awaited day for the parents and teachers where they can witness their child's potential. It gives an opportunity to perform and achieve in scholastic activities. Young minds attain great heights of intelligence with moral values and superior performance. We strongly believe that academics is more than grades.

ACADEMIC CARNIVAL

"Learning with Fun"

The entire School zones are buzzing with various activities based on children's curriculum with fun and joyful learning. The students along with their teachers enliven many exhilarating activities such as Kids Puppet Show, Live Commentary, Radio Show, Mock Parliament, Live Science Experiments, Street Plays, Role Plays, Lilliput Dance, Story Narrations, Songs, Dances, Miming, Making Models, Music and Game Shows like 'Know About You', Mental Math to Solve Puzzles and Quizzes. Brainstorm sessions have supported the ardent spectators to learn more.

We define true success as to develop the spirit of humanity, by sharing our joys and sorrows, appreciating togetherness, encouraging the love for learning among the children. Everyone's mind is filled with a sense of joy and satisfaction. This program strongly intends to enrich the hidden talents and skills of the children with intense knowledge vibes. It is a perfect carnival to make learning a joy and has created a long lasting beautiful 'edutainment' memories.

"The aim of education is the knowledge,
not of facts, but of values" *- William S. Burroughs*

It is believed that when children involve and use all their skills, it helps them to create pathways that make it easier and quicker to retain information, and this is the success of students for the efforts put by them in their journey of learning.

- Gopinath S, Grade - XI



NO LOADS // SCHOOL BAGS

"Education Is Not The Filling of A Pail, But Lighting of A Fire"
-William Butler Yeats

Geethaanjali has always believed in letting the children explore and expand their power to think and act beyond boundaries. Such objectives are only feasible when our action plans pave way and supplement the upshots. Our curriculum envisages reducing the workload by tweaking the traditional methods to have the scope for fresh and new learning outcomes. Our plans will always encourage testing the creative and critical thinking of children along with the idea to focus on experiential learning.

The teaching-learning process constantly promotes a problem solving approach and ensures that kids are not burdened physically or mentally by heavy loads of textbooks. There is a constant research on reframing the content, based on the recent updates, to bring the expected learning outcomes of the children of different grades. These outcomes help teachers monitor students to reach expected benchmarks and even reset them at higher levels for the future batches.



Our aspiration is constantly emphasizing on "Maximising knowledge with Minimum loads". The major objective is to encourage curiosity, creativity, innovations and entrepreneurship. It is normal that any School has its monthly lesson plans for curriculum accomplishment. But, at Geethaanjali, since 2010, we have the exclusive Day Plan System - wherein the teaching-learning process for each working day is pretty well designed in advance. We not only focus away from rote learning, but also make bags lighter, to make learning the most enjoyable at our School. The process of 'carry light' shall involve a thorough analysis in areas of formulating the academic policies for the School, material development, teaching styles and evaluation techniques.

Great attention is paid to transform the schooling and work culture of each and every content in every level. While textbooks are redone to make the students as constant learners, thereby practical experiences and innovations are enhanced. Special care is paid to physical fitness and participation in outdoor activities. Each and every activity, project or presentation encourages our children to think, create and succeed. Our Gurus help the children to obtain guidance and counseling in selecting the best alternatives, out of the available ones through the constant imparting of life skills. Dynamic and distinguished systems of education are ever evolving at Geethaanjali, to take the next leap ahead, which will ultimately lead the young generation for being a good human being in their lives.

-Vidya Narayanan, Department of Commerce

STEP TOWARDS A CONTENTED SOCIETY

Politics is the very essence of functioning of a society. It is not something that detaches itself from you, if you just neglect it. It is intertwined all around our living and our life. Politics is just a glossy means of facilitating resources and development within a society. It is very easy to understand, when perceived with no preconception and when you recognize yourself to be a key player in it. But, the definition of politics according to what we see today through media is totally contradictory.

Educating the mind without enlightening the soul is of no use. It was with this goal of showing the youngsters the direction of real politics and making them realize the simplicity & competence it possesses, the student council of Geethaanjali came into existence. The council acted as a bridge from self development to selfless being. It emphasized that just being united selflessly with love and friendship within our community is way better than improving and equipping only ourselves, which in no way provides a scope for a better society.

The council members are the exemplars of discipline, respect, togetherness, brotherhood, humbleness and most importantly leadership. They are not just leaders who lead their group towards betterment as a whole, instead they are the ones who keep in track with everyone and try helping them to achieve their own best. They bring oneness without harming the individuality of anyone. They don't believe in any massive or dramatic change, but emphasize on accomplising the practical and day-to-day desires and wishes of the students. They define politics as something that responds to every proceeding, by attending to the call of every person and situation, and that is more than merely fulfilling their manifesto declared during the election.

The council succeeds in proving that politics is indeed connected with morals and is very simple and inclusive, if it is mediated by heartfelt leaders. They neither see themselves as someone with authority nor adorn themselves with pride. Their peers have given them a beautiful bouquet of belief, garnished with flowers of responsibility, which they accept soulfully. The council is a portrayal of what Geethaanjali is. They carry with them the ideas and feelings of every soul of Geethaanjali. They reflect all the positivity of our community.

Their goal is to provide inspiring information that move people into action, as every good citizen adds to the strength of the community. In all, the council itself turns out to be an ideal political body. The fruit of rational politics will ripen, once the seed sown, like our student council, grows into a tree with thousands of future leaders as its branches and the soul desperate for a contented society as its root. After being a part of such a good learning, I really wonder where all these lessons would go, when we enter the society as a potent citizen!

Plato once quoted, *"One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors"*. Let us not forget that the lightning makes no sound. To remember the words of Michelle Obama, *"Never underestimate the importance you have because history has shown us that courage can be contagious and hope can take on a life of its own"*. We, as the future society, have the responsibility to preserve the legend of our National heritage and bring into effect the ideal means to do it.

Let's have a mission of creating a rational community, with a noble vision, towards a contented society.

INSPIRING LEADERS

Students learn the very spirit of democracy at the grass root level. They also experience a lot of new things and enhance their leadership qualities in the School level itself. The main reason behind electing the student representatives is to involve them in the administrative activities and to instill social qualities from the run-through. Constitution is the vehicle of life and its essence is always the spirit of a Nation. The Constitution of Geethaanjali is framed by the Election Commission and then approved by our Principal after a keen scrutiny. Everyone works united during the election, which stands as a portrait of good leadership, unbiased systems, best politics and pure democracy. It mainly emphasizes the fact that India has got a lot of young, responsible, uncorrupted and honest leaders with a spirit filled insight. The Student Election Commission makes sure that no voters are influenced in any means by the parties. They also give awareness about the importance of voting. Oaths are taken to vote for the policies and not for the parties.

Students form the political parties and create their manifesto, which need to be later implemented by them. They campaign and promote their respective political parties. All the students (participants and non-participants), Staff (teaching and non-teaching) and administrators are given voting rights and cast their votes during polling. Since students' politics has an impact on National and State level politics, it becomes a good launching pad for new personalities to have a chance to enter the political affairs. Therefore, student politics institutionalises the merit-based search for future leaders. The need of the hour is that, the leaders of tomorrow must rise to the occasion and devise innovative ways of representing and dissenting through their writings, plays, movies, songs and using the power of words without disrupting the academic discipline of the Institution.

-Swernarekha M, Grade - XII
Student Election Commissioner - 2017





Plastic has made our lives very comfortable. It is so light and strong. There's no surprise that it became so popular in its very early stage after its introduction. It changed our habits even. Plastic started replacing the shopping bags like cloth bags, which were once used by people. If it is dumped at a particular place, it doesn't get decomposed soon. If it is burnt, it causes air pollution. It is high time that we have to stop using these plastic bags and move on to cloth bags. In this regard, Geethaanjalians took a small step for a change in the society. Each one of us joined our hands together to create an eco-friendly society. We initiated to replace plastic bags with the help of cloth bags. This created a great impact on our people. Our motive was only to spread the message not to make profit. So, we distributed the cloth bags free. We, the Geethaanjali Team (students, teachers, support staff and management) united together and homogenized ourselves as a single family to bring a change in our nearest environment. The students moved to the various places in Erode to distribute these cloth bags. We have distributed 10,000 cloth bags within our city. The people appreciated and gave their full co-operation for our impeccable work. We also received support from the media like Puthiyathalaimurai television channel and Chutti Vikatan magazine for our flamboyant work. We are really ecstatic in doing this work for our society's care.

-Milan V Raj & Harshiya H, Grade - VIII

Geethaanjali Interact Club

PEOPLE OF ACTION

Learning to Serve
Serving to Learn

Geethaanjalians are born to achieve greater heights and to make a difference by being interactors. The members of The Interact Club are simply 'People of Action'. Interactors have faith in their little actions, which will bring a big change in the society. We are determined to spread the change and make a difference. We are also obliged to humanity and the obligation gives a ripple effect which reaches everywhere. There's never an end for a good start.

The Interact Club of Geethaanjali had successfully achieved few prominent goals in developing and serving our society. They are :

- Collected books from our School and donated it to the children in the rural Schools in order to give additional support to their education.
- With the goal of saving our environment, Interact club had launched 'Cloth Bag Campaign'. To avoid plastics, we distributed cloth bags to many people which brought awareness among people.
- Collected new clothes from our friends and donated to the underprivileged.
- Actively participated in 'Paint box' project, where students cleaned and painted the public walls.
- Provided projectors to the rural children for e-learning.
- Donated books, stationery, etc. to the children in orphanage home.
- Always nurtured our senior citizens who are in the old age home and mentally challenged students with their basic needs.
- Interact Club of Geethaanjali had secured International ranking in the International Video Contest.
- Planted saplings in and around our School campus to spread the message of keeping our surrounding green and clean.
- During the time of crisis like cyclone, we collected & donated essentials like clothes, medicines, groceries and other basic requirements.
- KEY camps were organized for our peer group, where, the "KEY" implies Knowledge Empowers You, to inculcate life skills, ethics and values

The members of Interact Club of Geethaanjali have endless opportunities to participate in meaningful projects, dedicated to service and develop our leadership skills and virtue of morality. Interact Club members are blessed to shoulder the responsibility which comes in their way to serve the society. It also enables to recognize and accept the duty towards the society and our Nation. The Club has been actively taking steps and ensuring its responsibility towards the society for the past 7 years.

"Our journey throughout the world
will continue with hands extended..."

-Interactors of Geethaanjali



A SWEETEST ANGEL

SHE

THE BEST OF OUR LIVES



A woman is a blessing to this earth as she plays a vital role in everyone's life as a - daughter, sister, wife, mother, friend, an inspiration, strength and above all a real motivator. A woman is a giver. She has proved that she is no longer behind in any of the fields and is versatile. As a daughter, she is faithful to her parents and has her parent's faith on the top of her priorities.

The most beautiful shade of a woman that everybody praises is "woman as a mother". A mother is a backbone of every family and her children. She is the one who pampers, loves, gives, corrects, motivates, forgives and helps us without any expectations.

It is the Almighty, who has sent two entities - man and woman to this world, and then he must have thought about their uniqueness. Man alone cannot run this world; he needs a woman at every step of his life. They are the powerful entities and have always been a brave fighter in the battle of life. Neither is complete without the other.

Women have come up with lightning ideas that sparkle with brightness & power in today's scenario. It's our responsibility to contribute in the well-being of women. Women should be given respect in the society as their role is indefinite.

-Gokhul K, Grade - IX



Vivid Walls

"Art is the silence of thought and music of sight"
-Orhan Pamuk

Art, is something from your heart and it is a vision in your mind. It is a beautiful form of language that only a few can understand. It is a visual expression of what you really feel within yourself. It is not required to be something beautiful and eye popping. It just requires a person to understand what it means. Art has no limits; the only limit is your imagination. It can be anything, literally anything. Art doesn't require skills; it only requires a dreamer! And so have we learnt such a beautiful language?

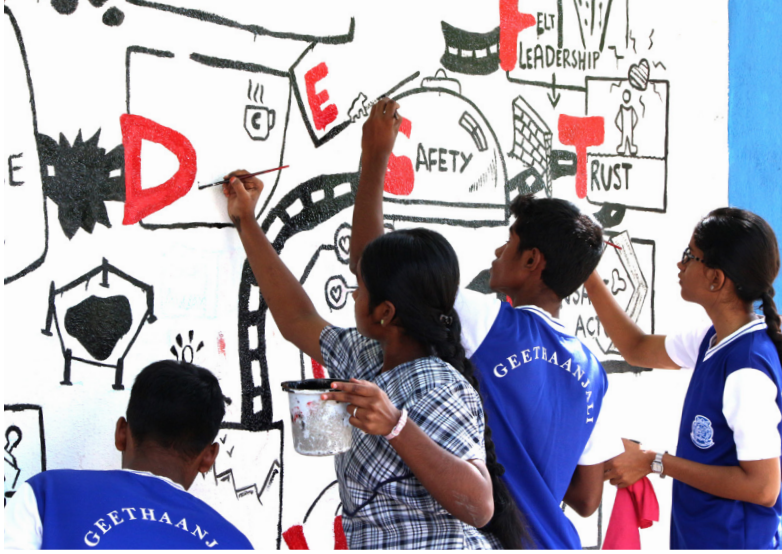
It was an amazing opportunity provided to us that we got the chance to give life to the walls which were lifeless for so long. Our School volunteered to paint the public walls across the town. The walls we painted were the ones around the Railway Station of Erode. We, as a team, gathered to bring out social awareness through beautiful pieces of art works. The themes which were brought about included power of education, afforestation, following traffic rules, picture stories, awareness towards eradication of alcohol & tobacco, proper cellphone usage and child safety. The volunteers split into various teams and took different walls. The walls were meticulously cleaned, painted with a fresh coat of primer and made ready for painting. We were quite anxious about how our paintings would be! All the paintings turned out to be elegant and our enthusiastic efforts were justified.

We enriched our School walls with mural paintings and abstracts on the trees. It was anotherv interesting project that turned out to be so beautiful. The way trees were painted was different from how walls were painted. Students of all grades teamed up and selected their own trees. The painting on each tree depicted concepts like power of languages, harmony of music, pride of heritage & culture and happiness of togetherness. We helped everyone who needed assistance and contributed as much as we could. Painting trees were rather very much different from that of the walls, but the cohesive inputs of our team unraveled the hidden treasures. The paintings did enhance the look of our School and gave a positive feeling to everyone whoever enters our campus. This amazing experience, with great memories will be cherished forever.

"Every human is an artist. The dream of our life is to make it a beautiful art!"
-Don Miguel Ruiz

We inhale
ARTISTRY
exhale
CREATIVITY

-Soorya Senthil Rajan, Grade - XII



இறையாண்மை

"நட்புக்கு இல்லை மதங்கள்"

என் தந்தையின் அலைபேசி ஒலித்தது. அதில் அவருடைய இஸ்லாமிய நண்பரின் ஹஜ் புனித பயணத்திற்குச் செல்லும் தகவலும், அவரை வழியனுப்புவதற்கான அழைப்புடன் கூடிய புலனக் குறுந்தகவலும் வந்திருந்தது. மகிழ்ச்சி நிறைந்த மனதுடன், புகைவண்டி நிலையத்திற்கு என்னையும் அழைத்துச் சென்றார். ஆயிரம் சொந்தங்கள், பந்தங்கள், நண்பர்கள் என அனைவரும் அன்னாரினை வழியனுப்ப வந்திருந்தனர். மகிழ்வான தருணம், இயல்பான பேச்சு என சொந்தங்களின் பாச அலைகளுடன் கூடிய, அன்பான அரவணைப்புடன் என் தந்தை என்னையும் அறிமுகம் செய்தார், பின்பு பயணம் இனிதே நிகழ தங்களுக்காக பிரார்த்திக்குமாறு கூறினார். என் மீது அவர் வைத்திருந்த மதிப்பை அந்நொடியில் அனுபவப்பூர்வமாக உணர்ந்தேன். வாழ்த்துகள் தெரிவித்துவிட்டு, வண்டி புறப்பட்டவுடன் மற்றொரு நண்பரின் குடும்பத்துடன் வெளியே வந்தோம். இறுதியில் தான் எங்கள் அறிவிற்கு எட்டியது ஹஜ் யாத்திரைக்குச் செல்லும் இஸ்லாமிய சகோதரரை வழியனுப்பச் சென்றது கிறிஸ்துவ சகோதரரும், இந்து சகோதரியும் என்று.....

அஸ்ஸலாமு அலைக்கும்!
வணக்கம் ஐயா!
ஸ்தோத்திரம் பிரதர்!

என்ற மூவரின் குரலும் ஒரு கணம் தேசியக்கொடியின் மூவர்ணத்தை நினைவூட்டியது.



இரயிலும் நகர்ந்தது! உறவுகளும் கலைந்தன! ஆனால் மனித நேயமும், இறையாண்மையும், மாசற்ற நட்பும் எத்தனை ஆண்டுகள் கடந்தாலும் கலையாமல் மூவர்ணக் கொடியினைப் போல் நமது பாரதத்தில் என்றும் என்றென்றும் பட்டொளி வீசிப்பறந்து கொண்டே தான் இருக்கும்!

இது இந்திய தேசம்
இதுவே நம்
இந்திய தேசம்!

-பிரின்சி சார்லஸ், தமிழாசிரியை

மாறிவிட்டதா மனிதம்....?



ஒவ்வொரு இந்தியனையும் தலைநிமிரச்செய்திடும்
தலையாய பண்பு மனிதம்...!
முப்பது கோடி முகமுடையாள்
என்றான் பாரதி அன்று.....!
நூறு கோடியையும் தாண்டி
தன்னிகரில்லாச் சிறப்புடன்
பார் புகழ பயணித்துக்கொண்டுள்ளாள்
நமது பாரதத்தாய் இன்று.....!
ஆட்சியில், மொழியில், உணவில்
உடையில், பழக்க வழக்கத்தில்
களத்தில், காட்சியில், கனவில்.....!
இன்னும் எத்தனை எத்தனையோ மாற்றங்களால்
மகத்துவமடைந்து கொண்டிருக்கிறது நம் அன்னைபூமி.
மாற்றம் ஒன்றே மாறாதது என்று
மார்தட்டி பேசியவர்களெல்லாம்
இன்று மலைத்துப்போய் நிற்கிறார்கள்.....?
இத்தனை மாற்றங்களுக்கு மத்தியிலும்
ஒவ்வொரு இந்தியனின் மனதிலும்
மணம் பரப்பி வருகிறதே மனிதம்.....!
ஆம்..... இருக்காதா என்ன?
என்றும் மாறாமல் நிற்கும் மனிதம்
இன்று நேற்று வந்ததல்ல....!
காலங்காலமாய்,
காற்றாய், நிலமாய், நீராய், ஆகாயமாய், நெருப்பாய்
உடலாய்,உயிராய்,
உதிரத்தில் ஊறிய உணர்வின் ஊற்றாய்
கற்காலம் தொடங்கி
கடைசி உயிர் உள்ளவரை
வியாபித்திருக்கும் வித்யாச அனுபவம்...!
நமது சமுதாயம் எப்படிப்பட்டது.....?
நமது பரம்பரை எப்படிப்பட்டது.....?
நமது இனம் எப்படிப்பட்டது.....?
வரலாற்று கதவுகளைத் திறந்து
வசந்தத்தை சுவாசிப்போம்...!
கடந்து வந்த சுவடுகளின்
சூட்சமத்தை கண்டு
சுகமாய் பயணிப்போம்....!
சத்தியத்தை சாரமாய் கொண்டு
நன்மையெனும் நங்கூரம் பாய்ச்சி
அறத்தின் வழியில் ஆனந்தமாய் பொருள் தேடி
பகிர்ந்தளித்து பரமானந்தமடையும்
பரம்பரையைக் கொண்டு
பல்லாயிரம் ஆண்டுகள்
பார் புகழ வாழ்ந்திடுவோம்..!!
வையகத்தை வளமாக வைத்திடுவோம்.!!
மனிதம் என்றும் மாறாது.

-ரமேஸ்குமார் இரா, தமிழாசிரியர்

स्वर्ण कथन हैं स्वरों की पंक्ति में

''अज्ञान से शुरु होकर ज्ञान में समाप्त होता है''

अ	–	अमर रहो इनसानियत में ।
आ	–	आज से शुरू करो अच्छा काम।
इ	–	इन्सान क्या ईश्वर भी तुम्हारा साथ है।
ई	–	ईश्वर ही प्रेम है, प्रेम ही ईश्वर है।
उ	–	उदारता ही उत्तम गुण है।
ऊ	–	ऊँचा हो विचार, उसी को करें आचार।
ऋ	–	ऋतुओं से सीखें, अपने कर्तव्य निभाने।
ए	–	एकता ही साध्य है।
ऐ	–	ऐन वक्त पर सहायता करें।
ओ	–	ओझल न हो सच्चाई से।
औ	–	औरों को मत देखो, अपने आपको देखो।
अं	–	अंबर छूना ध्येय बनाओ।
अः	–	अहंकार छोड़ें, आदमी बनें।

-Amrin H, Grade - VII

பள்ளி நாட்கள்

வானவில்லும் வந்து - எங்கள்
பள்ளி வாயிலில் நிற்க
விண்மீன்களும் அங்கே -புது
வண்ணக்கோலம் போட

குளிர்ந்த இதழ் விரிக்கும்
காலைப் பனி மலரைப் போல
மிளிர்ந்திடுமே எங்கள் பள்ளி
எங்கள் வாழ்வை உயர்த்திடவே

ஏணிப்படிகளாய் நின்றே தான்
ஏற்றம் கண்டிடும் ஆசான்களை
என்றும் வாழ்வில் மறவோமே.....

-சௌபர்ணிகா சி, ஆறாம் வகுப்பு

யார் ராஜா..?

என்னுடைய பள்ளி வாழ்வில் நடந்த சுவாரசியமான, சிறிய நிகழ்வைப் பற்றிய கதை தான் இது. அந்தி சாயும் அழகான மாலை நேரம். அநேகமாக அது அன்றைய நாளின் கடைசி பாடவேளை, என்னுடைய ஆசிரியர் அவருடைய அழகான காந்தக்குரலில் ஆங்கிலச் செய்யுளை நடத்திக் கொண்டிருந்தார். அப்போது அவர் புலியின் உருவம், அதன் மீதுள்ள அழகான, அடர்த்தியான கோடுகள், அதன் கூர்மையான கண்கள் என ஒவ்வொரு அங்குலமாக வர்ணித்த விதம் அரை மணி நேரம் காட்டில் நின்று புலியைப் பார்த்தது போலிருந்தது. அத்தோடு அந்த பாடம் முடிந்தது.

ஆனால், அதன் பின்புதான் என் வாழ்விற்கான பாடம் ஆரம்பமானது. புலியைப் பற்றி அறிந்த பின்பு, என் மனதில் ஒரு கேள்வி. அப்புறம் ஏன் நாம் சிங்கத்தினை ராஜா என அழைக்க வேண்டும்? என்று கேட்டும் விட்டேன். அறையில் அப்படி ஒரு அமைதி. அனைத்து நண்பர்களும் என்னை திரும்பிப் பார்த்தனர். நான் அமைதியாக ஆசிரியரின் பதிலுக்காகக் காத்திருந்தேன். என் ஆசிரியர் சிறிது மௌனத்திற்குப் பிறகு தொடர்ந்தார். சிங்கத்தின் தோற்றம், கர்ஜிக்கும் திறன், கூட்டமாக வாழும் இயல்பு, கூட்டத்திற்கு தலைமை வகிக்கும் பண்பு, அதன் ஆளுமை என அனைத்தும் அரசனுக்கு ஏற்றாற்போல் இருப்பதினால் சிங்கத்தினை காட்டிற்கு ராஜா என அழைக்கிறோம். புலியும் சிறந்த விலங்கு என்றாலும் சிங்கத்தைப் போல் அதுவும் பூனை இனத்தைச் சேர்ந்தது தான், ஆனால் மேற்கூறிய எதுவும் அதனிடத்தில் இல்லாதலால் அதனை காட்டிற்கு ராஜா எனக் கூறுவதில்லை என விளக்கினார்.

அவர் என்ன சொன்னாலும் என் மனம் ஒப்புக்கொள்ளவில்லை என்பதை என் கண்ணிலே கண்டுகொண்ட அவர், என்னிடம் உன் குடும்பத்தின் தலைவர் யார்..? எனக் கேட்டார். அதற்கு நான் சற்றும் யோசிக்காமல் என் தந்தை என்றேன். ஏன் எனக் கேட்டார்..? அதற்கு நான் அவர் சிங்கத்திற்கு கூறிய அனைத்தையும் என் பதிலாகக் கூறினேன். சிறிய புன்னகையுடன் காட்டின் ராஜா சிங்கம் என்பதை இப்போது ஒப்புக் கொள்கிறாயா எனக் கேட்டார். நான் சற்று தலை அசைத்தேன். அவர் கடைசியாக கூறிய ஒற்றை வரி என்னை பலமாக தலையசைக்க வைத்தது. காட்டில் இருக்கும் புலியைப் போல் தான் நீ. சிங்கத்தைக் (உன் தந்தையைக்) காட்டிலும் அதிக வலிமை, புத்திக் கூர்மை, திறமை என அனைத்தும் உன்னிடம் இருந்தாலும் உன் தந்தை தான் உனக்கு ராஜா என மறந்து விடாதே என்றார், எவ்வளவு நிதர்சனமான உண்மை!

ஆனால், இன்றைய வாழ்வில் பலர் தங்களின் தந்தையை ராஜாவாக நினைப்பதில்லை. அவரின் தலைமைப் பொறுப்பின் கீழ் இருக்க விரும்புவதுமில்லை. இதற்கு இன்றைய சமுதாயச் சூழ்நிலையே மிகப் பெரிய காரணம். உங்கள் குழந்தைகளுக்கு ஆயிரம் நண்பர்கள் கிடைப்பார்கள். ஆனால், பெற்றோர்களால் மட்டுமே சொல்லித் தர வேண்டிய நிறைய விசயங்களை, நண்பர்களாக மாறும் பொழுது அவற்றைச் சொல்லித் தர இயலாது. நீங்கள் உங்கள் குடும்பத்தின் ராஜா என்பதை மறந்து விடாதீர்கள். நீங்கள் ராஜாவாக மாறுவதில் தவறு ஒன்றுமில்லை. ஏனென்றால் நாமும் நம் பெற்றோரின்(ராஜாவின்) தலைமையில் இயங்கியவர்கள் தான்.

நீங்கள் ராஜாவாக மாறத் தயார் என்றால், நிச்சயம் நமது குழந்தைகளும் உங்கள் தலைமையை ஏற்க தயார் தான்.

-மேகலா த, அறிவியல் ஆசிரியை

தமிழர் திருநாள்

நாம் உலகில் காண்கின்ற பொருள்கள் யாவும் நிலமகள் உவந்தளித்த காணிக்கையாகும், நிலமகளை முத்தமிட்டு, நெற்பயிரும் வளர்ந்து நிற்க வைகறையில் எழுந்து சென்று உழவர்களும் மகிழ்வுடன் அறுவடை செய்தனர். நமக்கு வளங்கள் பலதைத்தந்த நிலமகளை மகிழ்விக்க எடுக்கும் ஒரு திருநாளே பொங்கல் எனும் புதுநாள். காரிருளை அகற்றிட பகலவனும் தோன்றும் முன், அதிகாலைக் கதிரவனை அன்புடனே வணங்கி, கீதாஞ்சலி குடும்ப உறவுகள் ஒன்றிணைந்து பாரம்பரிய உடை உடுத்தி பாங்குடனே பொங்கல் வைத்தனர். பொங்கல் வைத்த அழகினைத்தான் பரிதியுமே எட்டிப்பார்த்து நாணம் கொண்டு முகம் சிவக்க பள்ளி முழுவதும் களை கட்டிடும். வண்ண வண்ண மாக்கோலமும், மாவிலையும் தோரணமும், மயக்கும் மல்லிகைப் பூமணமும் வந்தோரை மனம் மயக்க செங்கரும்பும் சேர்ந்து வந்து கரம் கோர்த்து வரவேற்கும். பசுமையான நினைவுகளைப் பார்வையிலே சுமந்து கொண்டு தலைப் பிள்ளைகள் யாவருமே தாய் வீட்டை நாடி வரும் மணம்முடித்தப் பெண்ணைப் போல் மனமெல்லாம் மகிழ்வுடன் துள்ளி வந்து கலந்திடுவர், துன்பம் தனை மறந்து, இந்நாள் நாயகர்களோடு ஒன்றுகூடி சிலம்புதனை சுழற்றி நின்று தாய்மண்ணின் வீரத்தை தரணிக்கு அறிவிப்பர். கயிறு இழுக்கும் போட்டியிலே எங்கள் வீட்டு தேவதைகளாம் இளைஞிகளும் புடை சூழ, இளைஞர்களும் அணிவகுத்து எதிர்முனையில் இழுத்திடவே கண்ணிமைக்க மறந்து நின்று கண்டிடுவோம் அத்தனையும். புறநானூற்றின் வீரம் இன்னும் பெண்களிடம் உள்ளதென்று பரிசைத் தட்டிச் சென்றிடுவர். எத்தனை உயரம் இருந்தாலும் கண்ணைக் கட்டி விட்டாலும் ஓடி வந்து உடைத்திடுவோம், அனைவரும் இணைந்து நின்று பானையதை உடைத்திடவே பானையுமே போக்கு காட்டும். அன்பாலே அதட்டும் அன்னை கம்பெடுத்து வந்திடவே பானையுமே மிரண்டு நிற்க பாங்குடனே உடைத்திடுவார். இத்தனையும் நடந்தேறி முடிந்த பின், திரும்பி நின்று பார்க்கையிலே வெல்லம் கலந்த பொங்கலுமே முந்திரி நெய்யுடன் வாசம் தந்திடும். வாழை இலை கொண்டு வந்து முக்கனியுடன் படையலிட, எங்கள் தாத்தாவும் வந்திருந்து வழிபாடு செய்து ஆசியும் வழங்கிடுவார். கலைவாணியே மயங்கும்படி இல்லத்துக்குயில்களும், இணைந்து வந்து பூமகளைப் போற்றியே பாமாலை பாடினர். மனம் மயங்கி நாங்களுமே பேரானந்தம் அடைந்தோம். யாம் பெற்ற இன்பத்தை நீவீர் பெற வேண்டுமெனில் எங்கள் வீட்டுத் திருவிழாவில் கலந்து கரைந்து மகிழ்வு அடையுங்கள்.





-மேகவர்ஷா ர, ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு



பட்டிமன்றம்

ஆயகலைகள் அறுபத்து நான்கில் பேச்சுக்கலையும் ஒன்று. அப்பேச்சினை "கேட்டார் பிணிக்கும் தகையவாய்க் கேளாரும் வேட்ப மொழிவதாம் சொல்" - என்னும் வள்ளுவரின் வாக்கை மெய்ப்பிடுத்திடும் விதமாக 14/08/18 செவ்வாய் மாலை 6.30 மணியளவில், அந்தி வானம் ஆனந்தத் தருணம் இன்தமிழால் ஈர்த்திடும்



உற்சாகத் தூவல்கள் ஊராய்ச் சேர்ந்திருந்து ஏற்றத்தில் துணைசேர ஒப்பனை இலா ஓவியமாய் ஒருங்கிணைந்து இன்றைய சூழ்நிலையில் வாழ்க்கைக்கு உதவுவது ஏட்டுக்கல்வியா? அனுபவக்கல்வியா? என்ற தலைப்பைத் தாங்கி, கருத்துகளை விவாதிக்க, நல்லதொரு தீர்ப்பை நவிலும் வண்ணமாக கலை இலக்கிய மன்றப் பேச்சாளர் திரு.இ.கலைக்கோவன் அவர்கள் நடுவராகப் பங்கேற்க, எம் கீதாஞ் சலிப்பள்ளி வளாகத்தில் பள்ளிக் குழந்தைகளே கலந்துகொண்ட மிகப்பிரம்மாண்ட பட்டிமன்றம் அரங்கேறியது. எட்டுகோடி மக்களின் தாய்மொழி அறுசுவையை மிஞ்சுகின்ற வாய்மொழி எம் தமிழ்மொழி என்பதால் அன்னை மொழியில் மாணவச்செல்வங்களின் சொற்சாலங்களைக் கேட்டு வான்மழையும் சாரலாய்ப் பொழிந்திட பேச்சாளர்களின் சொல் மழையில் நனைந்த வான்மழையும் சற்றுநேரம் தன் சாரலை நிறுத்திவிட்டுத் தானும் பட்டிமன்றத்தைச் சுவாசிக்கத் தொடங்கியது. வான்மழையின் வர்ணஜாலத்தில் நனைந்த பார்வையாளர்களும் தன் செவிகளுக்குக் கிடைத்த நல் அமுதமாக இல்லை இல்லை அமிர்தமாக எண்ணிக் குழந்தைகளின் அனல் பறக்கும் விவாதத்தில் தனைமறந்து திளைத்து நின்றார்கள். 1500 - க்கும் மேற்பட்ட பார்வையாளர்களைக் கொண்டு அரங்கமே நிரம்பி வழிந்த நிலையில் அற்புதமாக நடந்தேறியது பட்டிமன்றம். இன்றைய சூழலில் கல்வி என்பது வாழ்க்கைக் கல்வியாகத் தரப்படவேண்டும் என்ற நோக்குடன் நடத்தப்பட்ட, இந்த பட்டிமன்றம் பல வெற்றிப்படிகளுக்கு அடித்தளமாக அமைந்ததில் எந்தவித ஐயமுமில்லை.



-சுபிக்ஷா ச, ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்பு

YouTube link - https://youtu.be/OWq8do6I4Qc



Feet on Fété

Hi there!

Ah! the sports day, one of the much awaited and the most dreamt of day. The day which always manages to embed great memories deep-rooted within our heart each time.



The entire campus was filled with hustle and bustle. Everywhere one could see someone making last minute changes. We began the day with the arrival of our Chairman, the Guest of honour for the fété. On the left, all the participants getting excited to give their best, on the right the sea of spectators flowing in from every direction trying to get a glimpse and guess of what's going to happen next. With zeal in the air, one can literally feel everyone's heart beat getting faster and faster , every passing minute. Like icing on the cake the band fuelled the crowd's excitement even more with their music. The captain of our ship, Chairman setting the anchor down witnessing the Smriti, Srishti, Shreshti and Shruti house captains marching forward with their teams proudly for the flag hoisting ceremony. The house flags looked waving and weaving magic with every swish and swash.

The houses took their places and their captains in the forefront were followed by the torchbearers lighting the torch and making the crowd go crazy. Then came the heart of the show the mass drill performances of all the classes. One cannot ignore the fact that combining two different forms of physical activities is not just a jasy walk. Special involvement is needed to make it work just right but, hey! if you are a Geethaanjalian, nothing is impossible. The performances began with tiny little feet stepping ever, so tenderly yet, so firmly onto the arena. Sometimes the smallest things take-up the most room in your heart. Watching those little butterflies fluttering their wings and doing the Aerobic dance with perfect coordination can make anyone's jaw drop.



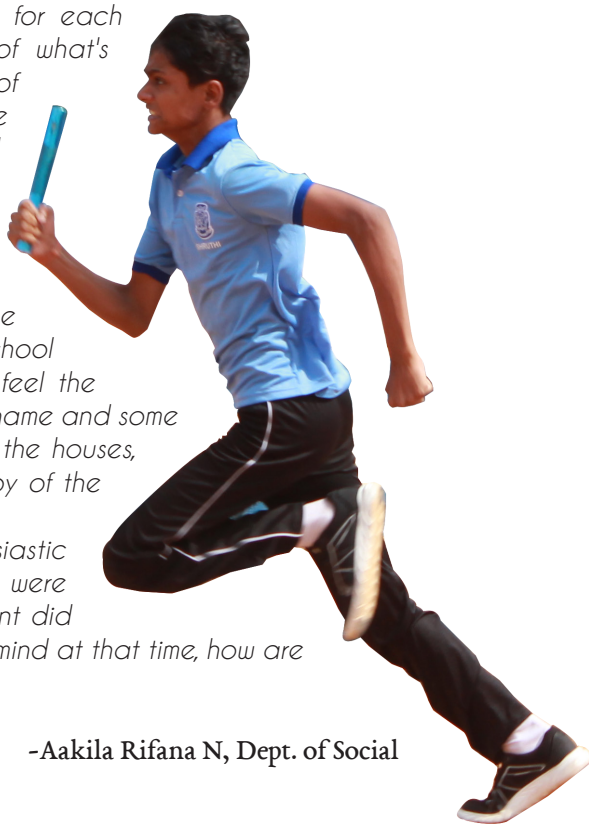
The mid Schoolers next buckled up and soared into the field, ready to prove that they can also spice things up and continue the legacy of the tiny preceder. The spectators couldn't keep their voices down after witnessing these striking performances.

Then came the show stealers from high School. If one thinks that growing up could stop these children from bringing something new to the stage, they would have to think again for they outwitted everyone with their awesome performance. It literally made everyone jump off their seats with their nerve-wracking stunts.

Though the show came to a halt, the crowd couldn't settle down as their hearts and eyes wanted more, that's when they got their feast of entertainment in the form of relay of the houses. Although the houses were giving their level best in the competition, a different competition was happening within the crowd. It was about who could cheer the loudest. On the whole for those few minutes the entire campus was on Cloud Nine.



When the winners of the relay were announced for each division, not a single soul would have expected of what's going to happen next. The expression on the face of the spectators was priceless, when the relay for the teachers was announced. The entire School rumbled because of the jeering crowd each rooting for teachers to cheer them up. To their exhilaration, the teachers of the Smriti house won the relay. At last the moment of truth, the time for announcing the winners house arrived. After distributing the prices for the winners, the spectators became restless to know the end result for which the whole School was working hard. When our Principal began the countdown one can feel the anxiety level in the arena reach its peak. Some were chanting their house's name and some were just counting down. When she announced the place occupied by the houses, with the Shruti house leading the rest and getting the winner's title, the joy of the spectators knew no bounds.



All the houses were equally celebrating their victory with an enthusiastic spirit, irrespective of the places they occupied. In our eyes and heart, we were getting greedy for more, when the day came to an end. But the excitement did not cool down. There was only one thought that was running in everyone's mind at that time, how are we going to outdo this in the next year's sports day.

-Aakila Rifana N, Dept. of Social



My Dream

NATION

My dream is as big as an ocean,
The world as a single nation,
Standing under one flag as kith and kin and friends,
No war, no blood sheds, no refugees, no enmities.

May be the continents lie apart,
But our hearts should feel closer,
Black or white, we all are,
The descendent of same trait.

Man made money rules the whole world,
Rich and poor, we stand divided economically,
With no money, trading only on exchange,
My dream nation has only love and affection.

Mother Nature gives all her treasure,
Greedy men make war over it,
Living on the laps of the nature,
Prevent the war in future.

Mankind will make war even for water,
To protect ourselves, let the world stand united,
My dream is as big as an ocean,
The world as a single nation...

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LAUNCH

"Big is nothing, but a collection of million small things"

Think Tank is a club, where people with a lot of questions come together to get esteemed solutions. Our club is the place where you can meet great volunteers with boundless confidence. Our mission is to inspire individuals to be the best they can be, to change the world. The world we mention is not comprised of land and water, it's beyond the far fantastic things in your mind, which are changing everything from me and you. We advocate courage, as a supreme thinking, which requires reasoning rather than intelligence. Our long term vision is that, Think Tankers would lead fellow students' objectives as theirs and work for everyone. We will be the bridge between the questions and the answers. This would be accomplished through constant quality research.

We build an attitude amongst our friends to accept whatever happens is the best for this very moment. The power of such attitude helps you in creating and transforming thoughts into reality. Lots of successful people have recognised sheer receptiveness as their key to success. Encouraging the inquisitiveness helps to motivate student's curiosity and also helps them to assess their understanding

We wish to give this to all our friends who are in a need of emotional or mental support. Our every step aims at bringing out the best ideas from everyone to shell out fear or shyness. Instead of searching for a way to change the world, we identify, encourage and develop best qualities, which are very much essential to change the world. We, therefore, will always be there for making everyone transform into future leaders.

-Think Tankers of Geethaanjali

A PEEK INTO PLASTIC

Plastics are extensively used in our everyday life – wherever we look, we will probably find something made of plastic and it has undoubtedly become an inseparable part of mankind, just within a very short span of time. Is it because of the vibrant colours, the imaginative shapes, its low cost or maintenance free nature, that plastics dominate our lives?

Seldom can we deny that food and water are the two most important needs in a human being's life? But we store our food and water in plastic containers and water bottles, which gradually affects our health. A highly toxic industrial chemical named Bisphenol A (BPA) is used in the production of certain plastic since 1960s. Its harmful effects have an impact not only on humans but also on the flora & fauna. When we store hot or acidic food in plastic containers, some amount of plastic unavoidably gets into the food, which is hazardous.

We need to turn sustainable by going back to our olden days of storage methods like earthen pots, metal containers, ceramic wares, glass or stainless steel boxes & bottles. Let's pause for a moment to think over & be the escorts for each others lives with a credit of smiling face being added every second!

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